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GENEVA OFFERS JAPAN HER LAST CHANCE.



General Tsai Ting-kai, of the XIXth Route Army, has not confined his share in the operations to directions from headquarters. Photo above shows him watching a small howitzer at work.

SETTLEMENT BY CONCILIATION.

LEAGUE PROCEDURE PROPOSALS.

ECONOMIC SANCTIONS IF NOT ACCEPTED.

COMPLIANCE EXPECTED.

Geneva, Mar. 10.

JAPAN IS GIVEN A LAST CHANCE of accepting the League's method for settling the Sino-Japanese dispute in the resolution which is to be submitted to the Assembly.

Failure to comply will, it is understood, entail the automatic application of Article XVI of the League Covenant, with the attendant sanctions, economic boycott etc.

The text of the resolution which is to be placed before the General Committee of the Assembly was circulated to the delegates today and its terms telegraphed by their representatives to the Japanese and Chinese Governments.

The text is of considerable length and is based on the articles of the Covenant and the Paris Pact.

It is divided into four paragraphs, the first laying down that the Assembly recognises that the Covenant can be applied to the present dispute.

The second affirms that it is contrary to the spirit of League Covenant to find or seek solution by military force.

WITHDRAWAL.

The third reads, with the previous resolutions of the Council and the principles which have been laid down, one of the first obligations is the withdrawal of the Japanese forces.

The fourth provides for the establishment of a Commission, including the President of the Assembly, M. Hymans, all members of the Council, except Japan and China, and six from the Assembly, to be elected by ballot.

The general purpose of the Commission will be to supervise and promote the peace negotiations.

REPLY DELAY.

It is generally expected that Japan will accept the drafted resolution, though it is now very doubtful whether the Japanese Government's reply will be received to-morrow.

The resolution is the strongest yet adopted by the League.

LAST CHANCE.

It represents Japan's last chance of accepting conciliatory procedure. If this fails, the Assembly Commission is authorised to submit recommendations, and failure to comply with these recommendations would, it is understood, entail the automatic application of Article Sixteen with attendant sanctions.—*Reuter and British Wireless.*

UNFORTUNATE HITCH IN NEGOTIATIONS.

BRITISH GOVERNMENT STATEMENT.

London, Mar. 10.

In the House of Commons today, in reply to questions by Mr. George Lansbury, the leader of the Opposition, Captain Anthony Eden, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, made a lengthy statement outlining the course of the Sino-Japanese peace negotiations.

Captain Eden said it was not clear at present how the unfortunate hitch in the negotiations could be overcome, but the British Government was not only contributing its utmost to assist, but had no desire to complicate the position by introducing extraneous matters.

TIENTSIN THREATS?

Mr. Lansbury referred to the Chinese report that the Japanese intended sending troops to Tientsin and suggested that the British Government should make representations to Japan against the proposed action.

Both Captain Eden and Mr. Stanley Baldwin replied that they had not seen any reference to a proposed Japanese landing at Tientsin.—*Reuter.*

CHINA'S FIRM STAND.

PEACE PROSPECT NOT BRIGHT.

FOREIGN OFFICE STATEMENT.

(Telegraph Special.)

Shanghai, Mar. 11, 10.19. a.m.

Peace prospects in Shanghaj are not very bright at the moment.

The latest reports indicate that there is very little likelihood that the rival authorities will get together for a peace conference today.

In the first place, there appears to be some doubt concerning the exact meaning of the Chinese reservations at Geneva regarding the scope of the proposed conference.

JAPANESE NOT READY.

Secondly, according to an official announcement by the Chinese Foreign Office: "The Japanese are not yet ready to talk."

Incidentally, there is little ambiguity about the Chinese reply to the Japanese overtures of yesterday morning. It is made fairly clear that the Chinese are insisting upon the unconditional withdrawal of the Japanese forces. They are not prepared, at the moment, to accept any dictation regarding the positions to be taken up by the Chinese troops in the event of an armistice.—*Reuter.*

S. V. C. RELIEF.

Shanghai, Mar. 11, 10.30 a.m.

The Shanghai Volunteer Corps has now been placed upon a precautionary basis, which means that they are required for part-time duties only, enabling them shortly to resume normal civilian work.—*Reuter.*

U. S. TROOPS TO STAY.

Washington, Mar. 10.

The 31st American Infantry Regiment will remain in Shanghai for the present.

The Government has now decided not to order the transfer to Manila immediately.—*Reuter.*



Herr Thaelmann, Communist candidate for the German Presidential office. He is a member of the Reichstag and opposed President Hindenburg in the last election also.

GERMAN PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION DECLARATIONS.

'RED' CANDIDATE AND RUSSIA.

Berlin, Mar. 10.

Twenty thousand Communists stretched out their fists, swore themselves to bring about the doom of Capitalism, and shouted themselves hoarse pledging their allegiance to Soviet Russia this evening when Herr Thaelmann, the Communist presidential candidate, delivered his election speech at the Sport Palace.

Herr Thaelmann depicted Russia as a workman's paradise and declared that the Far Eastern problem was the greatest in the world to-day.

Hindenburg's Manifesto.

Rumours that President Hindenburg will stand down if the Presidential election on Monday is not decisive, were emphatically denied by the President to-day in a broadcast manifesto.

President Hindenburg says he has placed himself at the disposal of the German nation for re-election only as a patriotic duty. The election of a party man representing extreme political views, who would have the majority of the German people against him, would bring the Fatherland into an era of serious disorders.

Germany's Freedom.

Hindenburg declared that his signing of the Young Plan and the Emergency Decrees had as a motive his ardent love for the Fatherland and his strongest desire for Germany's freedom.

He concluded by appealing to the German people to unite in the struggle for the freedom of the nation, just as in 1914.

Bavaria and Hitler.

The Bavarian Prime Minister, Dr. Held, has appealed from Munich, Herr Hitler's headquarters, to all Bavarians to vote for Hindenburg, who, he says, is the only man who can save Germany from chaos.—*Reuter.*

NEW MOVE IN LINDBERGH AFFAIR.

HELPER'S BABIES THREATENED.

COMPLICATIONS.

New York, Mar. 10.

Nine days have elapsed since the kidnapping of Colonel Lindbergh's baby son and there is still no definite indication that the terribly anxious parents are any nearer the recovery of their child.

Police efforts have failed completely up to the present and attempts to establish direct communication with the kidnappers have brought no result.

A further complication has risen to-day in that Lindbergh's gangster helpers, "Salvey" Spitale and Irving Blitz are both in trouble.

BOOTLEGGING CHARGE.

Spitale and Blitz and fourteen others were brought up in the Federal Court to-day on a charge of smuggling liquor.

Furthermore, the kidnapping of Spitale's two children has been threatened as a reprisal for their father's activities on behalf of Col. Lindbergh.

CAPONE'S OFFER.

Meanwhile, Al Capone has appealed to the Federal Government to release him from the penitentiary in order to help in the search for the Lindbergh baby.

"I will do everything in my power to get back the kid," declared "Scarface," who has offered to deposit bound of G$200,000 if he is released.—*Reuter's American Service.*

ADVENTURES OF A GENERAL.

NOW ARRESTED BY CHINESE

NANKING ORDER.

(Telegraph Special.)

Shanghai, Mar. 11, 10.19 a.m.

General Wang Ken, the leading figure in the remarkable incident when he was arrested by the Japanese at the Astor House Hotel, has been re-arrested, since his release by the Japanese, by the Chinese authorities.

It will be recalled that Japanese forces entered the Astor House Hotel searching for General Wang Keng, that the General fled into the kitchen only to be held by a Russian cook until the Japanese troops arrived.

The "boys" of the hotel went on strike until the management consented to the dismissal of the Russian cook.

Under Escort.

The announcement of General Wang Keng's arrest by the Chinese authorities has caused much speculation. It is learned that the local authorities acted upon instructions by the Central Government and it is understood that the unfortunate General is now on his way to Nanking under military escort.—*Reuter.*

FURTHER SIGN OF CONFIDENCE.

LOWER BANK RATE WELCOMED.

London, Mar. 10.

Although to-day's reduction of the Bank from five per cent. to four per cent. had been anticipated, it was warmly welcomed in the City and caused a general rise in Government securities.

The official announcement was loudly cheered. It is taken generally as a sign of confidence.—*British Wireless.*

London, Mar. 11.

Financial circles are of opinion that the lowering of the bank rate, equal to two per cent. in three weeks, will give fresh strength to long-dated Government securities and prepare the way for conversion operations.

It is also taken for granted that the decision will further increase foreign confidence in Britain's financial strength.—*Reuter's Special Service.*

STOP PRESS.

London, Mar. 10.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain intimated in the House of Commons to-day that the loss incurred in the recent repayment of the French and American credits to the British Government, amounted to £13,500,000, which would be added to the internal sterling debt.—*Reuter's Special Service.*

DAY OF RECKONING.

BUDGET DATE ANNOUNCED.

London, Mar. 10.

It is announced by Mr. Baldwin, acting Premier, that the Budget for 1932/33 will be introduced on April 19.

In submitting the Air Estimates to the House of Commons to-day, the Air Minister, Sir Philip Sassoon, said that the total of £17,400,000 showed a reduction of £700,000, this being the department's contribution to the urgent requirements of the financial situation.

The saving had been effected without permanently impairing the high standard of efficiency in the air services.

During his speech, Sir Philip Sassoon stated that the experience gained in making the winning machines and engines for the Schneider Trophy contests, had been of very real value in designing the new equipment for the Royal Air Force. The result was that though reckoned by size alone the force took only fifth place among the air forces of the world, they had the satisfaction of knowing that no other Air Force was better equipped while nowhere was the standard of training and efficiency so high.

More in Future.

He warned the House that to maintain such a standard more money would be required in future years than was asked for in the present Estimates.

Regarding civil aviation, he said that Britain had avoided giving air transport excessive assistance and had followed the plan of encouraging air transport to fly by itself.

Proposals were on foot for bringing into operation another twelve thousand miles of Empire routes and when that could be done, the Empire would possess over 37,000 miles of organised air routes.—*British Wireless and Reuter.*

IRISH TERRORIST ACT REPEAL.

POLITICAL PRISONERS FREED.

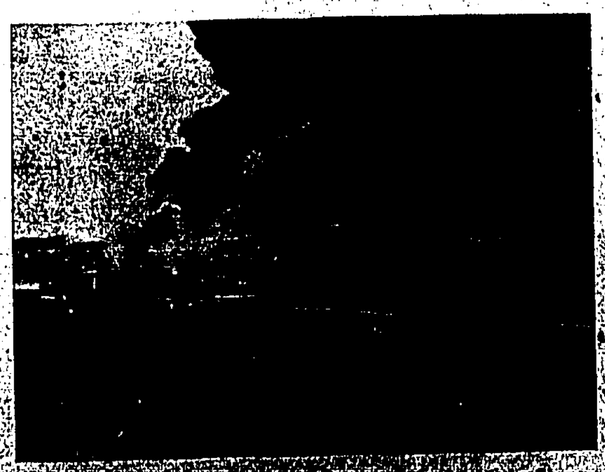
London, Mar. 10.

Twenty political prisoners were released from Dublin prisons today in anticipation of the suspension of the Constitution Amendment Act by Order of the Council, which is now presided over by Mr. Eamon De Valera.

They were convicted by a Military Tribunal of the late Government for offences against the State.

When released from prison today they were greeted by large crowds and driven through the streets in motor-cars decorated with the tri-colour of the Irish Free State.—*Reuter.*

The local branch of the Mercantile Bank has received a telegram from its Head Office in London advising that at the annual general meeting of the shareholders a final dividend of 5% on the "A" "B" & "C" shares will be declared (making 12% for the year less Income Tax), $10,000 written off Landed and House Property, $167,000 carried forward to 1933 account.



A striking [illegible] at the Shanghai Golf Club House [illegible] with Japanese forces in the foreground. A message of sympathy has been sent to the Shanghai Golf Club. [illegible]

THE VAGARIES OF SILVER.

HONGKONG DOLLAR ADVANCES.

Due largely to speculative activities, silver has risen in London, the advance being 3/8ths spot and forward. The rise is chiefly due to absence of sellers, but Indian speculators sold at the rise. After the official fixing, the market ruled steady, chiefly due to some support from America.

New York is unchanged, with the market quiet.

The Hongkong dollar rose 3/16ths on demand to-day, the official quotation both for T.T. and demand being 1s. 3.7/8d. The market was steady at the opening, but later in the morning the tendency was [illegible] with [illegible]

AMANO BRIGADE ATTACKED.

HARBIN RUMOUR.

Harbin, Mar. 11.

It is rumoured that troops belonging to the old Kirin army yesterday attacked the Japanese garrison at Ninguta, which is the headquarters of the Amano Brigade.

Many thousands were present at to-day's ceremonies connected with the hoisting of the five-coloured flag of the new Manchurian State, while the Japanese gave an aerial display.—*Reuter.*

YIELD FROM NEW DUTIES.

SUBSTANTIAL SUMS RECEIVED.

London, Mar. 10.

It was stated in the House of Commons to-day that the Abnormal Importations Customs Duties had produced £[illegible] in January and £[illegible] in February, while [illegible]

INTERNATIONAL OIL CARTEL.

ROYAL DUTCH-SHELL PROPOSAL.

New York, Mar. 10.

Plans to stop the overproduction of petroleum through the formation of an international oil cartel, are announced by Mr. J. B. Kesslerm the joint managing director of the Royal Dutch-Shell group.

It is suggested that American oil interests should agree that for a period of five years, the United States oil exports should not exceed the imports by more than a specified figure, thus avoiding the American anti-Trust laws.—*Reuter American Service.*

MORE LIBERIAN PERSECUTION.

BRITAIN JOINS IN PROTEST.

London, Mar. 10.

The British Chargo d'Affaires at Monrovia, in company with other foreign representatives, addressed on March 7th urgent representations to the Liberian Government in connexion with reports of the continued persecution of the Kru Kru population by Government forces, adding that the representations will be communicated to the Liberia Committee of the League of Nations.—*British Wireless.*

HOME FOOTBALL.

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SHAMEEN'S 1932 BUDGET.

ESTIMATES REVEAL AN INCREASE.

TAXES LOWER.

The annual general meeting of the Shameen Municipal Council was held on Monday, February 29, when the budget estimates for 1932, which amounted to $114,920, were approved.

The meeting of Ratepayers was held in the British Consulate and was presided over by Mr. Herbert Phillips, Consul-General.

The budgeted expenditure for 1932 includes $30,147 for Police Department, $7,600 for Hospital, and $21,434 for Waterworks Running Expenses.

Against this there is an estimated income of $38,391 for House Tax, and the same amount for Land Tax. Water Sales are expected to produce $18,430, and various taxes such as wharfage, godown, and business taxes a total of $7,500. In 1931 the estimates amounted to $111,891, but actually totalled $108,095.

Chairman:—The first business is to confirm the Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting of Ratepayers held on Thursday, February 26th, 1931. These I propose should be taken as read and confirmed. They were printed and circulated soon after that meeting.

This resolution, seconded by Mr. Brameld, was adopted.

Report and Accounts.

Chairman:—The next business is to pass the Report and Accounts for 1931. I will call upon the Chairman of the Council to address you on the subject.

Mr. Hill (Chairman of Council): Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen.

The Municipal Report and Accounts have been in your hands for the prescribed period of fourteen days and require but little comment from me. I would, however, like to make a few additional remarks in connexion with the twelve months under review.

In connexion with Police matters I have much pleasure in stating that your Council have had close co-operation and assistance from the City Police.

The Waterworks were called upon to supply more water than for the previous year and the quality was maintained at its usual high standard of purity, as will be noted from the Medical Officer of Health's report. The plant has been maintained in good repair and condition.

There was no large expenditure in connexion with the Public Works Department. Maintenance work only was dealt with but the Nursing Home was entirely redecorated and all furniture and fittings reconditioned. The Municipal Nursing Home had efficiently dealt with all cases brought in, and our thanks are due to Dr. Lancaster, the Medical Officer of Health. The cost to Ratepayers amounted to $4,771.65 as against $4,795.06 last year, so that we are now still working well below the figure of $6,000 paid annually from the rates for the wards at the Canton Hospital prior to 1925.

Levy to be Discontinued.

With regard to the Accounts I should like to draw your attention to the figures: Overdraft $19,825.06 and Building Reserve Fund $52,500.00. Your Council decided to place a sum of $30,000.00 from the "Building Reserve Fund" account on fixed deposit as from tomorrow, and to place the balance of this Building Reserve Fund account to the Current Account, against the liquidation of the overdraft. By these transactions it is estimated that we shall enjoy a revenue of approximately $900,00 as interest on our Fixed Deposit and Current accounts to the end of the current financial year, and thereby discontinue the annual levy on Ratepayers for payment of interest on the overdraft. The $30,000.00 placed on Fixed Deposit will be termed "General Reserve Fund" as suggested by our Auditors. This reserve will be gradually built up so that should new machinery or buildings become necessary, the Council would be in a position to meet these expenses without borrowing from the Bank.

I should like to take this opportunity of placing on record that the Officers and Staff of the Council discharged their duties to our entire satisfaction throughout the year. I now have pleasure in proposing the adoption of the Report and Accounts for 1931 as presented. After this proposal has been seconded I shall be glad to answer any questions to the best of my ability.

Mr. Knott:—I would like to second that proposal.

Chairman:—Has anybody any questions to put to the Chairman of the Council?

Property Revaluation.

Mr. Quin:—Mr. Chairman, Under the heading "Fire Insurance" I see that the actual expenses for 1930 were $872.50. The actual expenses for 1931 were the same, and it is budgeted for the same amount for next year. May I ask whether that means that in spite of the fall in the value of the Hongkong dollar, the insured value of the properties, has not been revised?

Mr. Hill:—Yes.

Mr. Quin:—If so I should like to recommend that the values of Council property be revised on the present value of the dollar, at 1/6. It seems to me unwise to have your property under-insured.

Mr. Knott:—Was the insurance amount $700 in 1930?

Mr. Quin:—No $872.50, the same as for the past two years.

Mr. Knott:—In 1930 the dollar was round about 2/-.

Mr. Quin:—It is not as well covered now as when the dollar was at 2/-.

Mr. Knott:—You might take into account a certain amount of depreciation in the value of the property.

Mr. Quin:—I do not think firms take that into consideration. I think it wise to be on the right side.

Chairman:—Perhaps it can be left as a point to be considered by the incoming Council?

Left to Council.

Mr. Hill:—Would you like to put this up as a proposal or will you leave it to the incoming Council?

Mr. Quin:—Unless somebody is against it I would like to hear the views of the meeting.

Mr. Campbell:—Would it not be a good thing to have the property revalued?

Mr. Quin.—It would cost money.

Mr. Hill:—What is your idea? Do you suggest that it be left to the incoming Council or would you like to bring it forward as a proposal?

Mr. Quin:—I should like to bring it forward as a proposal.

Mr. Campbell:—I should like to second Mr. Quin's proposal.

Mr. Hill:—You should have given notice.

Mr. Quin:—I shall leave it then to the incoming Council.

The resolution was then put to the meeting and carried.

Budget Estimates.

Chairman:—I will now ask the Chairman of the Council to propose the next resolution on the Agenda, the Budget Estimates for 1932.

Mr. Hill:—Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen, The Budget Estimates are printed on pages 8 and 9 of the Report, and as usual, have received the unofficial approval of the Auditors. I have already explained the Council's decision regarding the liquidation of the overdraft and the placing of $30,000.00 on Fixed Deposit as a "General Reserve Fund" against contingencies and trust Ratepayers will approve of this action on their behalf. Other items shown are for the usual requirements of the Concession with the exception of allowance to the Director of Public Works and Secretary. This allowance is for Travelling Expenses for leave to England, which is granted approximately every five years in accordance with his Agreement. The rates of taxes are practically the same as in fact slightly lower than, last year, which I think is very satisfactory. There is no other point I would like to emphasise and, therefore, now beg to propose the adoption of the Budget Estimates for 1932 as presented and also, with your permission, including Resolutions Nos. 1 & 2 which deal with House and Land Taxes, on account of the fact that there are no alternative resolutions to put to the Meeting.

Mr. Hollyer:—I would like to second that the Budget Estimates be passed together with Resolutions 1 & 2 as printed in the Report.

The resolutions were carried.

Election of Council.

Chairman:—The next business is to elect not more than five duly qualified Ratepayers to serve on the Council for 1932. The names of five Ratepayers were duly proposed in January and posted on the official Notice Board in this Consulate-General. The names are:—J. B. Harrison, E. R. Hill, W. G. Hollyer, A. E. Quin, V. P. Waters.

There being no other names proposed I hereby declare these gentlemen duly elected as members of the Council for 1932. I will now ask the Chairman of the Council to proceed to put the other resolutions as printed.

Mr. Hill:—Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen, with your permission I should like to propose that Resolutions 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, & 8 are taken collectively. There is no change and these were adopted last year.

Resolutions 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 & 8 proposed by Mr. Hill and seconded by Mr. Mackintosh were carried.

Too Many Dogs.

Mr. Hill:—I would also propose that Resolutions 9 & 10 be taken together. I think you will all agree that there are far too many dogs on the island and the alarming thing is the rapidity with which the numbers increase. Your Council feel that some action should be taken to reduce the numbers. We, therefore, hope that resolution 9 will be carried which would mean that owners of two dogs will have to pay $60 against the present tax of $30 and owners of three dogs $160 instead of $50.

As regards Resolution 10 the present Bye-law states that no Chinese dogs are allowed on the concession. We now wish this Bye-law to read "'Chows', Alsatians and dogs of kindred breed are not allowed on the Concession and may not be registered".

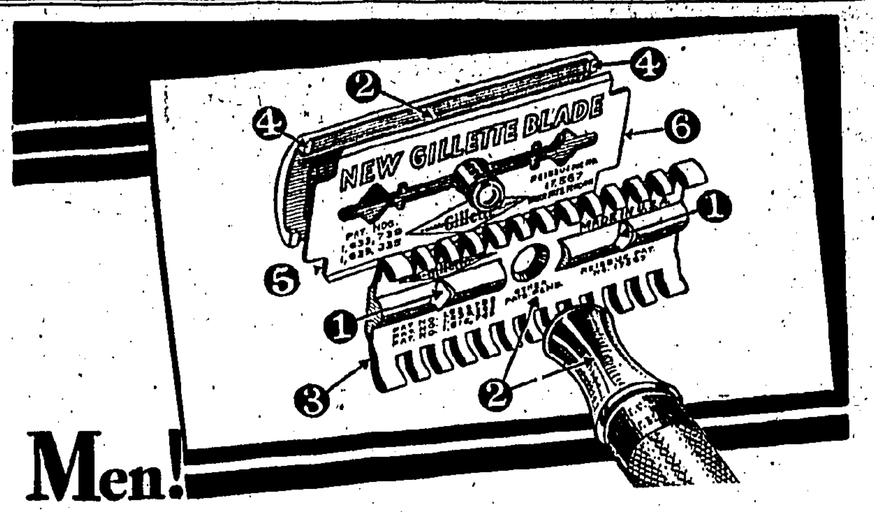
Mr. Knott:—I am very pleased to second that Resolutions 9 and 10 be passed.

Mr. Farmer:—Mr. Chairman, may I ask whether there is any provision in the present Land Regulations or Bye Laws with regard to unregistered dogs?

Unregistered Dogs Barred.

Chairman:—This point would seem to come under Regulation 31 which states that the importation of dogs into the Concession without special permission in writing

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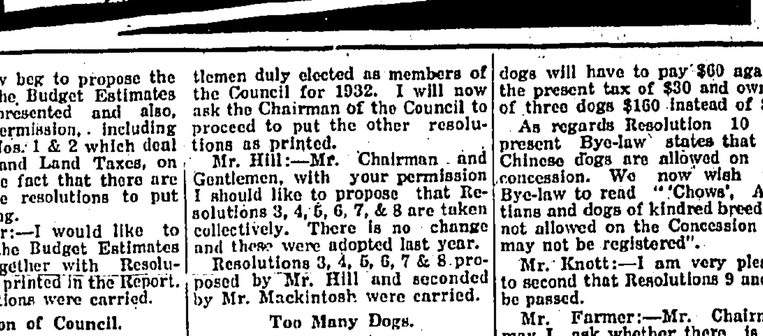
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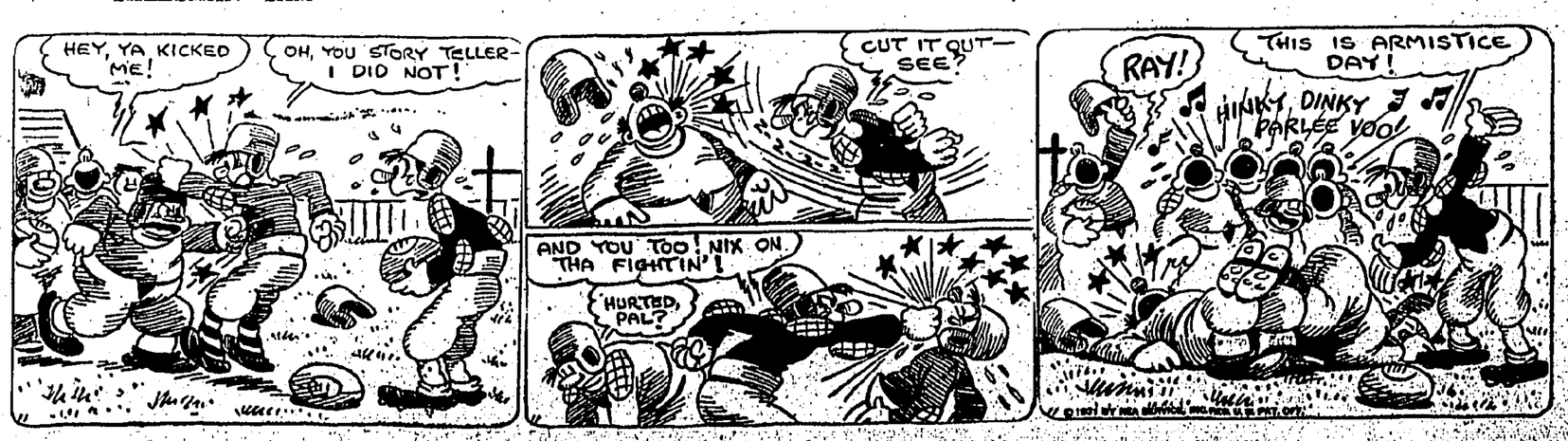
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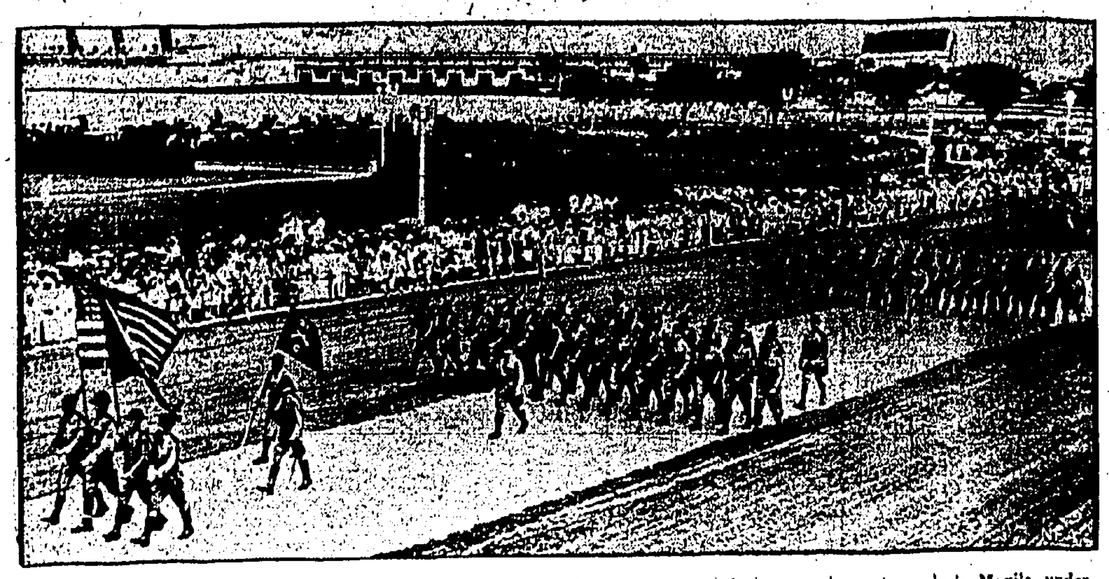


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31ST INFANTRY REGIMENT ON PARADE: SANTIAGO DE CUBA EARTHQUAKE.



The 31st infantry regiment, whose withdrawal to Manila is mooted, are shown here during a regimental parade in Manila, under command of Colonel Lorenzo D. Gasser.



Japanese look-out on the roof of the Toka cotton mill at Shanghai.



This picture, rushed from Santiago, shows some of the destruction wrought by the earthquake in that Cuban city recently. Note how the building in the foreground has been wrecked.



This picture shows South Gate Main street within the Nanking walls, jammed with natives and autos during the recent gunboat shelling panic.



Japanese marines bringing stores up to their headquarters in North Szechuen Road.



This fluffy kitten, La Mor Faybeth, Jr., is purring about its mother's honours in winning this coveted cup at the Kansas National Livestock show at Wichita.



Miss Margaret Aline Bording, above, of London, competing in a recent carnival at Nice, carried off first prize for beauty.

THREE KINDS of LOVE

by KAY CLEAVER STRAHAN

BEGIN HERE TODAY

Ann, Cecily and Mary Frances Fenwick live with their grandparents. The sisters have been orphaned since childhood. The grandparents—known as "Rosalie" and "Grand"—have long since lost their wealth and the household is supported by Ann's and Cecily's earnings. For this reason, Ann, 29, and Philip Ecroyd, young lawyer, are still postponing their marriage though they have been engaged 8 years.

Cecily, 22, is in love with Barry McKeel, an engineer, but when he proposes she refuses to name the wedding date because she cannot leave Ann with the financial responsibility of the home.

Mary-Frances, 15, and still in school, strikes up an acquaintance with Earl De Armount, stock company actor. She meets him secretly on several occasions. Mary-Frances has led him to believe she is 18 years old. He tries to persuade her to become his partner in a vaudeville act.

Phil takes Ann to dinner and a girl she has never seen before sends him a note which he burns. Phil's explanations are vague and Ann decides to go home. On the way trouble develops with the car and Phil stops to investigate.

CHAPTER XXVII

Ann did not need to listen; so she breathed a smallish, confused prayer to the gods of garage men that this particular knock in Phil's automobile might emanate from some source, any source, other than clogged piston rods. Phil's responses to that special species of knock were invariable. He began by diagnosing the disease as fatal, since one mechanic named Jake Lucca had left town, and went frantically on from there.

His procedure was to drive the car for a few hundred yards and stop it, and leap out, and open the hood, and peer despairingly into the insides of the thing, and with an air of suppressing much prophecy that this was the end. Usually, since there was nothing else to be done, he would get into the car again, and start it with difficulty, and go for a few hundred yards more before he leaped out and lifted the hood, and peered, and so on.

Cars, Ann had learned, suffering from this malady are moody, hysterical things; they will knock like a woodpecker and then, once in a while, they will stop and refuse to go another step until, after a short rest, they will pick up with a spurt and stop knocking and pretend that nothing has ever been the matter with them.

If a garage is in sight they will recover completely—cars with diseased piston rods dread garages—until the place has been left miles behind. Then, worn out with the extra exertion of simulating strength where there were only weakness and courage, they will break down for a time and refuse to budge. Ann knew her piston rods. But Phil was a proud man, and thrifty, and to drive a seemingly healthy car into a garage, and to subject himself, or his patient, to a charge of neuroticism and four or five dollars, was a performance in which he would take no part. So they always flashed by the garages and broke down in some lonely spot on the highway. And then Phil would leap out, talking about Jake Lucca, and open the hood and peer. . . . Stronger women than Ann have gone to pieces with less provocation than that afforded by piston rods.

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Conversation during calamity is heartless and footless, crippled and offensive, so Ann had long since ceased attempting it. They rode in silence, except for the knock. Phil had his head cocked to one side so that never a vibration of sound should escape him, and Ann had ever so much time to think about the girl who wrote notes that needed to be burned at once, and Phil's night work of late, and the hard, bright antagonism in the girl's eyes.

They had passed a garage in a small town, five miles back, so a relapse was due, and it came, scheduled precisely, on a deserted stretch of road. Phil leaped out; this made the ninth or 10th time within the hour. Ann, too, got out of the car—she usually did so: it seemed more helpful.

Phil lifted the hood and looked at the engine. Ann stood and watched the lights of an oncoming automobile growing larger and larger. She found no encouragement in the fact of its approach. Another of Phil's conventions concerning piston rods was a refusal to ask for aid from other motorists. Jake Lucca alone, in a world full of men, could repair piston rods, and Jake was leagues upon leagues away.

The lights grew larger still, and dangerous seeming, and Ann stepped out of the glare just as the car—the sportiest sort of sports model—slowed and stopped, and a girl's voice called, "Hey, hey, Phil! Some more trouble!"

Phil had started the engine and had his ear to its breast so that he could hear the knocks. Ann receded farther into the shadows.

Letty stepped from the car, and crossed to Phil, and said, her childish voice raised high above the groans of the engine, "What is it, old dear? Piston rods again?"

Phil lifted his head, but he did not come back to a complete consciousness of the outside world—a heartless, knockless world where piston rods were of secondary importance. A voice that he know had greeted him, and he returned the greeting abstractedly.

"Hello, Letty," he said to Miss King, whose first name he was unsure of, could not really remember.

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If one small cat slinks out of a bag, wisdom may attempt to capture. If dozens of spry black cats, loosed possibly on purpose and all at once, plunge forth to trip and skip and caracole into the night, confounding wisdom, courting and frolicking with folly, nothing much can be done about it.

Letty's next remark addressed to Ann in the shadows and made with one hand on Phil's arm, was, "Doesn't the poor darling have the foulest times with his old piston rods?"

Ann came forth and was introduced as Miss Fenwick to Miss

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NOTICE.

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R. J. VERNALL,
Hon. Secretary.

ST. PATRICKS SOCIETY OF HONGKONG.

Practice dances will be held in the Helena May Institute on Friday, March 11th. and on Monday, March 14th. at 5.15 p.m. Members and friends are asked to attend these practices.

G. P. MURPHY,
P. T. MAHONY,
Joint Hon. Secretaries.

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the THIRTY-FIFTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held in the Company's Board Room, 3rd Floor, Exchange Building, Hong Kong, on Thursday, 24th March, 1932, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1931, electing Directors and Auditors, and for the transaction of any other Ordinary business of the Company.

NOTICE is also hereby given that the TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from Monday, 14th March, 1932, until Thursday, 24th March, 1932, both days inclusive, during which period no transfers of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board,

D. L. KING,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 5th March, 1932.

CHINA ENTERTAINMENT & LAND INVESTMENT CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SECOND ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Registered Offices of the Company, King's Theatre Building, 5th Floor, on Wednesday, the 23rd day of March, 1932, at 12 Noon to receive the Directors' Report and Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1931, to elect Auditors, and to transact such other business as may be properly transacted at an Ordinary General Meeting of the Company.

And Notice is further hereby given that the Register and Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 14th to the 23rd day of March, 1932, both days inclusive.

LIANG CHI HAO,
Managing Director.
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1932.

CHINA ENTERTAINMENT & LAND INVESTMENT CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the China Entertainment & Land Inveatment Co., Ltd., will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, King's Theatre Building, 5th Floor, at 12.15 p.m. on Wednesday, the 23rd day of March 1932, for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, passing the following Resolution:—

That there shall be added to Article 71 of the Articles of Association of the Company the words:—

"but the Chairman shall receive double remuneration."

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the China Entertainment & Land Investment Co., Ltd., will be held at 12 o'clock noon on Wednesday, the 13th day of April 1932, for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings at the above-mentioned Meeting and of confirming, if thought fit, as a Special Resolution the abovementioned Resolution.

Dated this second day of March 1932.

LIANG CHI HAO,
Managing Director.

MACAO RACES
The Macao Jockey Club.

SPRING RACE MEETING
SUNDAY, 13TH MARCH, 1932.

There will be 7 Races.

The Macao Derby is the THIRD RACE.

The Races will commence promptly at 1.30 p.m.

ADMISSION:
Non-Members to Members' Enclosure $2
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Members MUST show their Badges (1932 season) to gain admittance.

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THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Forty-eighth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on Wednesday, the 30th March, 1932, at 11.30 o'clock a.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December 1931, and to transact the ordinary business of the Company.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Saturday, 19th March, 1932, until Wednesday, 30th March, 1932, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1932.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Sixty-third Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Wednesday, the 30th March, 1932, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1931.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 16th to the 30th March, 1932, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LIMITED.
General Managers,
The Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Ltd.
Hongkong, 9th March, 1932.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the 43rd Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the Company, Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on Thursday, the 31st day of March, 1932, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1931.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Saturday, 12th March, 1932, to Thursday, 31st March, 1932, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,

ALLAN KEITH,
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Hongkong, 1st March, 1932.

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NOTICE.

The Fourth Yearly Drawing of 20 Debentures (1928 Issue $500. each) of the Hong Kong Club, Payable on Friday, the 30th September, 1932, will be held in the Club House, at 11 o'clock, a.m., on Thursday, the 17th March, 1932.

Bearers of Debentures are invited to attend the Drawing.

By order,

T. A. ROBERTSON,
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Hongkong, 8th March, 1932.

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ORIGIN OF MAN.

THEOSOPHICAL MEETING'S INTERESTING SUBJECT.

The subject of yesterday's weekly meeting of the local Theosophical Lodge was an address by Dr. Karl Ludwig Reichelt, a Sinologue, on "Nature Worship in China and its Philosophical Background."

Investigating the origin of Chinese religious belief, Dr. Reichelt opined that it commenced as a vague monotheism, with a strong admixture of spirit worship (animism), and that this form of religion had been, even to the present time, the soil out of which all the other national religions and sects had grown, colouring even imported religions like Buddhism and Mohamedanism.

Reaching back into the origin of the Chinese race to trace the source of Chinese animism, Dr. Reichelt said that it was a well-known fact that there were people in China before the Chinese obtained a foothold in it, and he alluded to the aborigine tribes to be still found in the southern Provinces and in the Islands of Hainan and Formosa as these precursors. Though distinct in language and characteristics, the language of these aborigines and of the Chinese was to be indissoluble from the classification known as Indo-Chinese, to which also belonged the Thibetan, Burmese and Siamese languages.

After speculating on the origin of the Chinese, the probability of their having migrated into their present home from regions lying to the West being not overlooked, Dr. Reichelt stressed the similarity of religious beliefs, as for instance in the One God and in the Great Deluge. Consciousness of the one Supreme Being who wrought all these mighty works gradually faded to give place to a recognition of the power of nature as impressed upon them by their daily vicissitudes in the course of their nomadic wanderings. It could then scarcely be wondered that a fear of evil was inculcated in them leading to the imaginative creation of as many demons as there were terrors in the early stage of their national transition.

In the continuous warfare with these evil forces, man's best recourse was to the gods or good spirits, as was natural, and so it came to pass that there were created, *vis a vis* these evil spirits, deities associated with such mighty manifestations of nature as fire, thunder, storm, etc., and, later on, great men remembered by their deeds and mysterious legendary figures were added to this array of good spirits.

Delving deeply into Chinese literary lore, Dr. Reichelt selected the *Yi-ching*, or Book of Changes, to show the Chinese profound philosophical conception of cosmic evolution. With this he proceeded to consider the philosophical explanation which the race selected for their first religion.

It was the belief of the race he said, that from eternity there existed an absolute point (*tai-chi*), a topmost point, or a point of beginning, to be construed by our modern speech as the "primordial cell". This point of departure contained two elements, one called the *Yang* (meaning light, warmth, steadfastness, viz the sun, and, it followed therefore, the male) and the other the *Ying* (darkness, cold, feebleness; the female element). As one had also the meaning of heaven, the other consequently became the earth. To develop this meaning further, the heaven was looked upon as the fructifying power: it sent the creative elements of heat and rain. *Yang* then came to stand for the male force and, conversely, *ying* the female.

The Seed of Life.

"Out of this idea of *tai-chi*, in which were combined the active and negative forces as it were," continued Dr. Reichelt, is developed everything which is included in the conception of creation. Matter is produced in an unbroken process and assumes form according to the laws inherent in the being of *Yang* and *Ying*. Matter is formed by the *Yang* and *Ying* forces working together, or rather in opposition. For there is between them an eternal tension, due to their diametrically opposed nature. Out of this mighty tension (alternate action) come fog and dust. These condensed into solid, dead unformed matter called *tso-chi*. Life and order make their appearance when there is sent from the Heaven, the source of the *Yang* forces, a pure life-giving air current, *ching-chi*.

"Out of this substance, now containing in itself the seed of life by virtue of Heaven's *ching-chi* the first living being sprang forth, *P'an Kup*. There has always been some confusion amongst the Chinese regarding this first lonely figure. Shall he be looked upon as an incarnate god (demi-god), or as the first man (Adam)? The majority regard him as the primeval man, the first human being."

The lecturer continued with the development of this Chinese theme of the early creation of mankind, showing the influence they eventually came to exert on their worship of nature which has lingered to the present day side by side with their practice of Buddhism.

At the conclusion, Dr. Reichelt received an expression of thanks from an appreciative gathering.

POST OFFICE NOTICE

Information has been received that the Siberian route is uninterrupted and the service by this route will accordingly be resumed forthwith.

The Public are, however, warned that, as this Service is somewhat precarious and still liable to suspension without notice, letters will only be accepted at senders' risks. In the event of the service being again suspended all letters will be forwarded via Suez.

Letters and postcards for Europe and South America are forwarded "Via Siberia" if so superscribed.

It is notified for the information of holders of Private Boxes at the General Post Office that on and after 1st February no taxed correspondence will be placed in the Boxes. A notification will be substituted and Boxholders are requested to call or send for the correspondence at the Boxholders' Lobby and there pay the amount of the Tax against the delivery of the letters or packets.

The Parcel Post Service to Shanghai and North China is fully resumed as from to-day.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due
Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London, 18th Feb.)	Carthage	March 11.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle, 20th Feb.)	Pres. Jefferson (Ship due at 9 p.m., 11th inst.)	March 12.
Shanghai and Swatow	Sufyang	March 12.
Shanghai, Amoy and Europe via Siberia (London, 22nd February)	Tjisadane	March 13.
Shanghai	Conte Rosso	March 13.
Manila	Pres. Coolidge	March 14.
Japan	Rakuyo Maru	March 14
Japan and Shanghai	Andre Lebon	March 15.
Straits	Cremer	March 15.
Batavia	Tjinegara	March 16.
Saigon	General Metzinger	March 16.
Calcutta and Straits	Suisang	March 16.
Australia and Manila	Kamo Maru	March 17.
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., 27th February)	Empress of Asia	March 17.
Straits	Hakone Maru	March 18.
Japan	Katori Maru	March 18.
Japan	Tatsuta Maru	March 19.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 19th February)	Pres. Adams	March 19.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date and Time.
Saigon	Wongshekkung	Fri., Mar. 11, 3.30 p.m.
Samshui and Wuchow	Tai Ming	Fri., Mar. 11, 4 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Carthage	Sat., Mar. 12. K.P.O. Parcels, Mar. 11, 4.30 p.m. Reg., Mar. 12, 9 a.m. Letters, Mar. 12, 10 a.m. G.P.O. Parcels, Mar. 11, 5 p.m. Reg., Mar. 12, 9.45 a.m. Letters, Mar. 12, 10.30 a.m. (Due Marseilles, 8th April)
Australia (except places North of Brisbane) and New Zealand via Singapore and Brisbane	Carthage	Sat., Mar. 12. (Connecting with Nieuw Holland at Singapore) Reg., Mar. 12, 9.15 a.m. Letters, Mar. 12, 10 a.m. (Due Brisbane, 2nd April)
Bangkok	Bintang	Sat., Mar. 12, 1.30 p.m.
Amoy	Chusan	Sat, Mar. 12, 3.30 p.m.
Saigon	Halvard	Sat., Mar. 12, 4.30 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Jefferson	Sat., Mar. 12, 4.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Brindisi	Conte Rosso	Sat., Mar. 12. K.P.O. Reg., Mar. 12, 3 p.m. Letters Mar. 12, 4.30 p.m. G.P.O. Reg., Mar. 12, 4.15 p.m. Letters Mar. 12, 5 p.m. (Due Brindisi, 3rd April)
Sandakan	Hinsang	Sun., Mar. 13, 8.30 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Kiangsu	Sun., Mar. 13, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Canton Maru	Sun., Mar. 13, 9 a.m.
Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and *Europe via Vancouver B.C.,	Empress of Japan	Mon., Mar. 14. Parcels, Mar. 14, 3 p.m. Reg., Mar. 14, 4.15 p.m. Letters, Mar. 14, 5 p.m. (Due Vancouver B.C., 2nd April)
Shanghai and *Europe via Siberia	Empress of Japan	Mon., Mar. 14 Reg., Mar. 14, 5 p.m. Letters Mar. 14, 6 p.m.
Manila, Makasser and Sourabaya	Tjisadane	Tues., Mar. 15, 9.30 a.m.
Fort Bayard, Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Tonkin	Tues., Mar. 15, Noon.
Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, *Egypt and *Europe via Marseilles	Andre Lebon	Tues., Mar. 15. K. P. O. Registration 1 p.m. Letters 1 p.m. G. P. O. Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m. (Due Marseilles, 15th April).
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning	Tues., Mar. 15, 2 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., *Canada, Central and South America and *Europe via San Francisco and *Europe via Siberia	Pres. Coolidge	Tues., Mar. 15. Parcels, Mar. 15, 3 p.m. Reg., Mar. 15, 3.45 p.m. Letters, Mar. 15, 4.30 p.m. (Due San Francisco, 5th April)
Swatow	Fooshing	Tues., Mar. 15, 5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Sarpedon	Wed., Mar. 16. K.P.O. Registration 16th 9 a.m. Letters 16th 10 a.m. G.P.O. Registration 16th 9.45 a.m. Letters 16th 10.30 a.m. (Due Marseilles, 14th April).
Japan, Honolulu and *South American Ports	Rakuyo Maru	Thur., Mar. 17, 10.30 a.m.
Manila	Emp. of Asia	Thur., Mar. 17, 5 p.m.
Japan	Kamo Maru	Fri., Mar. 18, 9.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiyang	Fri., Mar. 18, 1 p.m.
Japan	Hakone Maru	Fri., Mar. 18, 3.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Katori Maru	Sat., Mar. 19. K.P.O. Reg., Mar. 18, 4.30 p.m. Letters, Mar. 19, 9 a.m. G.P.O. Reg., Mar. 19, 8.45 a.m. Letters, Mar. 19, 9.30 a.m. (Due Marseilles, 17th April)

*Superscribed Correspondence only.

LIFE IN RUSSIA.

WAVE OF OPPRESSION REPORTED.

Riga, Mar. 10.

Reports tell of a new wave of arrests in Russia.

Moscow and other towns, especially in the Ukraine, are honeycombed with police activity. The Ogpu is arresting non-proletarians, especially former nepmen and others whose source of income is not apparent.

The Ogpu is prepared to release the prisoners provided they pay a large ransom. Those unable or unwilling to pay remain in prison till their relatives raise the money; or else are charged with vague crimes such as speculation undermining the financial stability of the Soviets.—Reuter.





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WOMEN'S WORLD

FOR OUR LADY READERS.



Informal Party Gowns Identified by Sleeves and Contrasting Colour.

[By Joan Savoy.]

FANCY decolletages make the evening gown what it is this season. But it's the kind of sleeves you have that distinguishes your informal party dresses.

It has turned out to be a great season for little sleeves. They come puffed or perky, ruffled or plain, flaring or tight. But come they must if you want to tell the world that you know this is either the dinner hour or that the party never was meant to be formal.

There is another thing or two about the correct informal party dress. It has to have some contrast to it. You can pick a dark colour with a bright metal or gay coloured trim. Or you can be contrary and have a light dress with dark little sleeves and something or other in the way of yoke treatment. Or you can have some glitter about it. It's more than stylish.

If you are one of the lovely women who feel best in white, and if you add to that a passion for a bit of glamour, here is a new dinner dress made with you in mind.

It is of soft white crepe Elizabeth and remember that the sheer crepes are having their innings just now, trimmed with silver paillettes. The sleeves look like capes but are sleeves cut right from the neckline and are heavily bordered in the silver. The neckline is cowl in front and cowl in the back. There is a belt of the silver, too, and those silver touches succeed in being quite the nicest adornament this particular white crepe could possibly have.

YOUR HEALTH.

Importance of the Food You Eat.

That the human body is constantly undergoing change is a fact that is now generally realised. Bone, tissue, muscle, etc. are being worn out, removed and replaced continually. This replacement of substance is effected by the food we eat, and it therefore becomes a matter of some importance to consider the question of eating from a rational point of view.

It must be admitted that very many people to-day eat mainly for the sake of gratifying their sense of taste. They have apparently forgotten that the real and only reason for taking food is to nourish and sustain the body, and that the tongue is intended by Nature to be merely a sentinel whose duty it is to guard the stomach against food that is obnoxious or harmful to the system.

Again, the case with which food may be obtained and the never-ending variety offered to man for his selection have tempted him into indulgences that would have been impossible in primitive times. Although over-indulgence in eating is by no means a modern evil, yet the multiplicity of foods procurable nowadays has given an impetus to this harmful habit, as have the cunning methods of preparation devised by the modern cook.

It is a very great mistake to suppose that it is necessary to eat a large quantity of food in order to maintain health and strength. The system needs only sufficient nourishment to replace the waste that has taken place, and food taken in excess of such requirements, being only partially digested, acts as a poison, and unduly taxes the system in its endeavour to dispose of the unnecessary waste.

When to Eat.

Hunger is the natural expression of the needs of the body for nutrition, and is a sure indication of when and how much to eat. To eat beyond the point where hunger has been satisfied is to tax the stomach and digestive organs beyond their capacity, and an outraged stomach will not remain quiescent always; sooner or later Nature exacts the penalty.

But people may, and do, continually do violence to that long-suffering organ, the stomach, without being gluttons. I refer to the habit of bolting the food without properly masticating it. So long as this harmful habit is persisted in, and the equally harmful one of swallowing large quantities of liquids at meals, just so long will such people suffer from a disordered stomach and all its attendant ills.

What to eat, when to eat, and how to eat are, indeed, questions that involve the health and happiness of humanity to a far greater extent than is generally realised. So many people imagine that to take the slightest care in these matters is to become a crank. This is no question of "crankiness" at all, but one of ordinary common sense and of doing the right thing by that marvellously intricate piece of workmanship—the human body.

In any case, better to be thought a crank than to suffer all the pains and penalties of an abused digestive tract.

WINIFRED SYKES *In Exchange.*

HOCKEY HINTS.

To be really good at hockey you must concentrate on three things—speed, accuracy of hitting, and positional play. Without these three you will never be first class.

Though you are the fastest player on the field, unless you can hit the ball cleanly and direct to where you wish, your speed is useless, so practise hitting at full speed and in all positions. Practise sprinting, too, with and without the ball.

Field Tactics.

As for positional play, watch good hockey and notice how the players juggle to get themselves unmarked, how the wing slips his opposing half—if he can—how the backs stand, one well up and one farther back, and always ready to cover a mistake.

To complete your hockey equipment perfect your stickwork. When all these things are mastered you will be worth a place in any side.

UTTER NONSENSE.

This Slaves-to-Fashion Talk.

Why do women submit so tamely to that nonsense about their being "slaves to fashion"? Every season they give proof of their dress independence. But does it dispose of this infuriating *cliché*? Not a bit of it.

"Ah" says the man in the street, wagging his head in a superior fashion as his wife displays her latest frock, "these women—poor, wretched slaves to fashion." And he promptly orders from his tailor another suit exactly like the last.

A young man has been known nearly to weep with chagrin and spend an utterly miserable evening because he found, on arriving at a dinner-party, that his evening waistcoat boasted only two buttons while every other displayed three.

Too Shaming.

When a woman wants to wear a fur with a chiffon frock, she does so, and managed to make it look not only correct but charming. But if a man were to arrive on the golf course wearing a bowler hat with plus fours no one would be surprised to hear that he indulged in the minor crimes of wife beating and burglary.

This season women have given particularly emphatic proof of their fashion independence. The dress-makers found that out when they cooed with delight at the bustles, tight bodices, and untidy draped skirts presented to them.

"How too utterly reverberating, darling," they cried in chorus. "But they would be too, *too* gastric to wear." So they ordered the plainest gowns in the collections.

It is always women who are the first to ignore a hidebound convention, although sometimes they do it in curious ways. Recently a girl walked into one of the smartest restaurants in Paris clad in a plain woollen jersey and tailored skirt, and with a small woollen cap clinging to her immaculate head.

Perfectly Cool.

Women dressed in the latest creations and a few choice jewels raised their plucked eyebrows in mute protest. The waiters looked unutterably grieved. Even the girl's escort, in lounge suit, seemed embarrassed. But not the girl. She walked blithely to a central table—from which the maitre d'hotel tried vainly to head her off—and prepared to enjoy herself.

Where is the man who dares to wear individual headgear? Women have tried the feathered bowler, the Empress Eugenie hat, and half a dozen others during the past six months. And decided that whatever was becoming to grandmother, or great-grandmother, these stupid hats did not suit *them*.

Comfort First!

They looked round critically. What they wanted was a really comfortable hat! They found the tammy—and now every other smart woman in Paris, and not a few in London, are wearing perfectly cut variations of the tam-o'-shanter, with or without an eight-inch feather sticking up the back as a sign of their independence from dictatorial fashions. When the milliners find them something as becoming and comfortable they will change, but not before.

LOVELY HAIR.

[By Dorothy Dickson.]

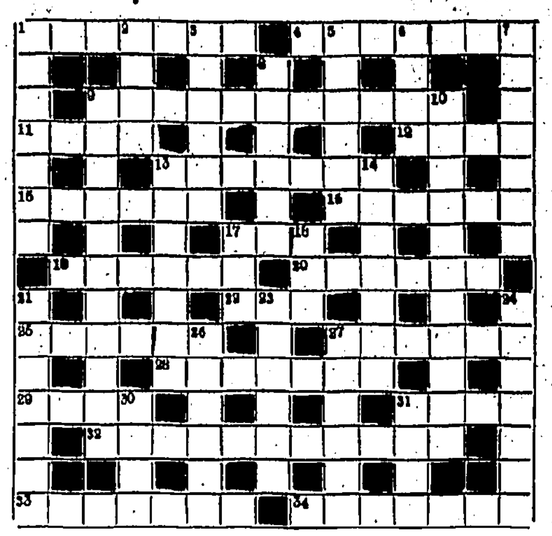
Contrary to the usual belief that hair should be washed at the most only every fortnight, I have mine shampooed every five days. I do not find that this harms it in the least; it keeps the scalp clean and the colour bright.

It is most important not to allow it to be dried under great heat, and to put a spoonful of vinegar in the rinsing water to take out the last remains of the soap. A few drops of perfume are necessary to neutralise the odour of the vinegar.

Women are far too much inclined to allow their hairdresser to put in a stereotyped wave with an iron. Each head should be studied individually, and the hair waved according to the shape of the head and face, and to the way the hair grows naturally. The slight tendency to wave which nearly every head of hair has should be accentuated with the fingers while the hair is damp.

Regular brushing is the finest hair tonic. A thorough brushing should be given immediately before the shampoo.

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Across

1 There's quite a lot in this kind of prize-distribution, besides an object of the chase.
4 A movement with one of twelve at heart.
9 The kind of man that never envisages that "rainy day."
11 It's more than one, besides being less.
12 Conduce.
13 Deposes.
15 Image.
16 "And you, good—, whose limbs were made in England."
17 The symbol of economy.
19 His the sentry finds one in a double sense.
20 Tempting.
22 Removed by Sandy as he crosses its reverse.
25 Not comment, but may be caustic.
27 A boxing weight.
28 This down scored.
29 Part of a hexameter.
31 A pirate's possibly—or a carpenter's—if you look at it in other way.
32 I scarcely think that, even in *this*, a palm could conceal a cocoanut.
33 On the staff.
34 Immortal.

Down

1 Wash a note below.
2 Docile.
3 This is uncommon.
5 In puris naturalibus.
6 A relative feature in Taunton.
7 To start with I've reversed the impression: that's plain!
8 Capital of a Norman department.
9 Flute in cafe (anag.).
10 Finish.
13 The noes.
14 Crowded.
17 Portion of any craft.
18 A shady part of Chelmsford.
21 To turn away wrath place a vegetable in part of a church.
23 Gallery.
24 Black and white.
26 Not handsome, but there's something sacred about one.
27 A writer of historical romance.
30 Satisfying when it's square.
31 An ancient writer of historical truth.

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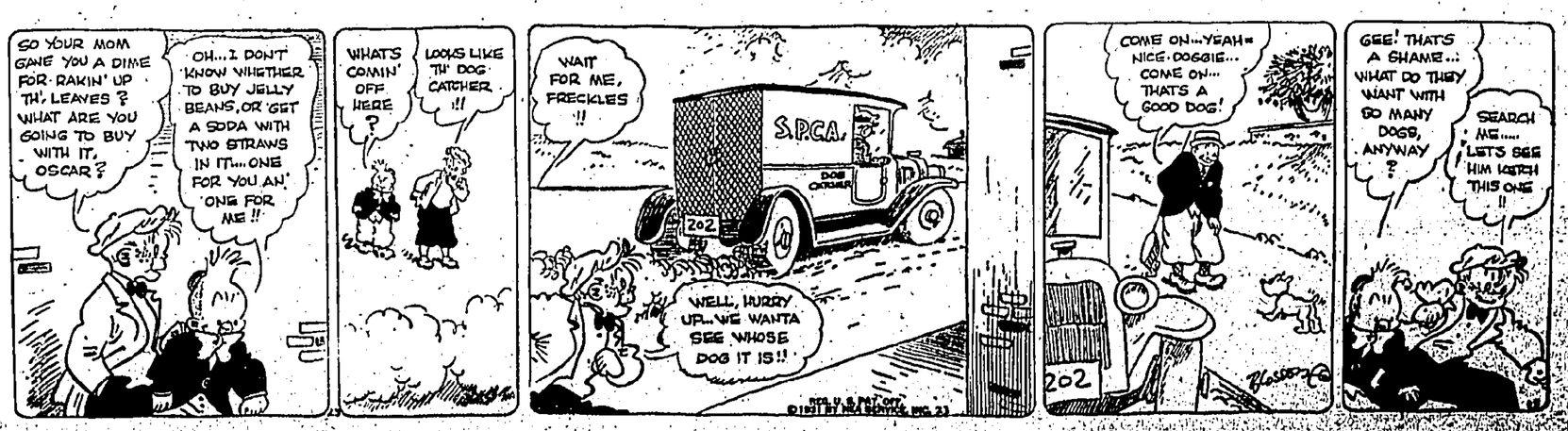


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CHILD LABOUR.

Those who are interested in the question of child labour will find interest in the fact that the International Labour Office of the League of Nations has recently issued a report dealing with the problem of the age of admission of children to non-industrial occupations. This problem was discussed for the first time at the International Labour Conference of June last and comes up for the second and, it is to be hoped, final discussion at this year's Conference next month. In accordance with its usual procedure, the office circulated to Governments a questionnaire on the main aspects of the problem, in preparation for the discussion of definite proposals in the present report, with a general survey of the problem and draft proposals for the final Convention.

The protection of child labour has been one of the principal ideals of social reformers ever since the idea of social legislation was born. Its aspects range from the purely humanitarian to the purely economic. It is generally agreed that the object to be attained must be the absolute prohibition of child labour below a certain age, and the regulation of juvenile labour. The main points at issue are simply the degree of protection to be afforded and the limit to be fixed between child and juvenile labour. Before 1918 the minimum age of admission to industry was fixed by law in a certain number of States and a few of them prohibited the admission to dangerous occupations. Child labour in agriculture and commerce was almost entirely unregulated. The International Labour Organisation included among the general principles governing its constitution "the abolition of child labour and the imposition of such limitation on the labour of young persons as shall permit the continuation of their education and assure their proper physical development." Since that date International Conventions have already been adopted on the minimum age for admission to industry, to employment at sea, and to agriculture. Another Convention prohibits night work for young persons, and yet others deal with the employment as trimmers and stokers, medical examinations at sea, forced labour, and with certain dangerous occupations. The proposed draft convention lays down the general minimum of 14 years adopted in the other Child Labour Conventions. Most Governments appear in favour of this and if it is adopted it will mean that the standard of 14 years of age will have been adopted for all kinds of child labour.

Here in Hongkong, legislation has, until latterly, lagged considerably behind that of most Western countries, a circumstance which is not altogether surprising in view of the peculiar economic conditions which prevail in most parts of the Far East. There has, however, in recent years been a recognition of the fact that this Colony must come more into line with present-day ideals. Hours of labour for women and children have been regulated, whilst no child is permitted to be employed in dangerous trades, from which also female workers between the ages of 15 and 18 are prohibited except with the permission of the Protector of Labour. In other ways, also, Hongkong has been engaged in child protection activity recently, so that by degrees we are laying down conditions more closely resembling those now generally recognised as being necessary to prevent the exploitation of child labour. Much remains to be done, but progress is being made along the right lines.

The Shipping Depression.

Although the severity of the depression in the shipping industry is reflected somewhat in the figures quoted by the chairman at yesterday's meeting of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, they also serve to show how light have been the effects on the world economic blizzard in Hongkong. The number of ships using the wharves of the Company were only thirty-eight fewer than in 1930—which may be partly accounted for by economies of shipping firms; using harbour buoys instead—while the gross profit is down by less than 20 per cent. Far Eastern difficulties—the boycott of Japanese goods, general interference with normal activities in all parts of China—have contributed largely to any slackness that may be apparent in local trade and on the whole, the Colony has cause to congratulate itself. When Hongkong's position is compared with that of Great Britain, cause for content with our lot becomes more apparent. At the end of January, 728 ships were laid up in various British ports, the aggregate tonnage being 1,966,417, while many of the ships remaining in commission have to be content with very meagre cargoes. Still worse, though it is an obvious result of the general stagnation, is the continuous decline revealed in the tonnage of merchant vessels under construction, which at December 31st stood at 400,505 tons, the smallest recorded since September, 1887! Moreover the figure includes about 154,000 tons on which operations have been suspended, the heavy increase of 89,000 tons on the previous month being largely due to the stoppage of work on the new Cunarder. In the three months ended December, work was begun on 37 vessels totalling 104,784 tons, a distinct improvement compared with 25 vessels of 38,675 tons in the September quarter, but the launching totalled only 70,707 tons gross, against 80,340 tons gross in the preceding three months. The wide extent of the depression is indicated that even with such phenomenal low figures, Britain is still the most important shipbuilding country in the world, though her pre-eminence is much less marked than formerly.

PRISONERS MAY SMOKE.

A CONCESSION AT BRIXTON.

Sir Herbert Samuel, the Home Secretary, has informed the House of Commons that arrangements had been made at Brixton to allow prisoners on remand and awaiting trial to smoke at certain times of the day.

The question of extending this facility to other prisons would be considered later in the light of experience at Brixton.

DAY BY DAY

FRIENDS MAY AND MUST HAVE SECRETS FROM EACH OTHER; BUT THEY ARE NOT SECRETS TO EACH OTHER.—*Goethe.*

The South Wales Borderers are holding a boxing tournament at Murray Barracks this evening, commencing at 6 p.m. There will be a programme of 18 bouts altogether.

Consequent on a fall from the 4.23 p.m. train from Shumchun, while it was passing Lo Wu, a Chinese woman passenger was admitted to the Kwong Wah Hospital on Wednesday with rather serious injuries.

At a meeting of the Hongkong Practical Psychology Club on Friday, 18th inst. at 6 p.m., the Rev. Mr. Tribbeck will speak on "Psychology and Religion." The meeting is being held at Lane, Crawford's restaurant.

When Miss E. Sousa, of No. 3, Minden Avenue, Kowloon, was walking along Chatham Road near the Kowloon Football Club, yesterday evening, about a quarter past six, a Chinese snatched her handbag, containing $30, and made off with it. He was chased and caught by a European whose name is not given, who handed him over to Traffic Sergeant Clark.

Banished in 1929 and sentenced to nine months recently for returning before the expiry of his term of 10 years, a man named Chan Fat was again arrested on information by the police in Canton Road yesterday. Charged before Mr. Fraser at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, he stated he had come back to fetch his wife. Sentence of 12 months' hard labour was imposed.

HONGKONG DOCTOR BEREAVED.

DEATH OF MISS BETSY DE SOUZA.

The many friends of Dr. E. L. de Souza, of Hongkong, will hear with deep regret of the death in Malacca of his sister, Miss Elizabeth (Betsy) de Souza, who was known throughout her life for many works of charity and kindliness. Fifty-six years of age, she was the sister of Mr. L. P. de Souza, the Deputy Collector of Land Revenue of Revenue, also of Mr. H. M. de Souza, J.P., of Malacca, and of Nurse Mary de Souza. Her nephews included two priests, Rev. Fr. L. D. Ashness and the Rev. Fr. Bertin Ashness, whilst other nephews are Mr. Rene M. Ashness, now studying for the priesthood in Penang, and another who is a Brother in the Christian Brothers' School in Burma. A niece is a Sister in the French Convent at Taiping.

It is worthy of mention that the deceased lady came of a Portuguese family that settled in Malacca about 160 years ago and that her grandfather was reputed to be one of the big property owners when the administration of this Settlement was transferred to the British a century ago. Her father, the late Mr. J. L. de Souza, was a sort of protege of Lieut. Governor Garling and was known and respected as a scholar and a gentleman. Her mother, whose maiden name was Cornelius, was of Dutch descent, whilst her grandfather took part in the Nanning War a century ago.

The funeral was largely attended, the officiating clergyman being the Rev. Fr. L. D. Ashness, the deceased's nephew.



"Come on up to my room and I'll show you some we took when he was only a week old."

RETURN TO PURITANISM.

Strong Undercurrent Carrying Britain Back to Sanity.

THERE are signs and portents on every hand that what a good many thoughful people have for some time past regarded as inevitable is now definitely coming to pass. Britain is moving with a momentum that is increasing daily towards what might be termed the "Twentieth Century Reformation."

No religious significance of any sort, I hasten to add, is attached to the use of the word "Reformation." Nor to the term "Puritanism" when used to describe the era towards which a strong undercurrent is now carrying the British people.

To-day, as we look back over a dozen post-war years of hectic, riotous, live-for-the-minute and purely superficial existence, whether in business, pleasure-seeking, or the everyday things of life, mere mention of the word Puritanism is like a sweet cleaning breath of wind that rolls some dank glooming fog from a clean, nature-simple garden.

Tired of Glitter.

In every direction of life it has become clear that Great Britain at last has become hopelessly tired of the tawdry glitter of the counterfeit, and is eager to turn with all the enthusiasm of the convert towards the simple realities of life. Everyone is beginning to see the gold, and, with twelve years' experience, to value the dross for the worthless thing it is.

That period of dross-worship or of mad licence was an inescapable sequel to the greatest war the world has ever seen. Our forebears saw the same thing happen when Waterloo had been fought and won, and were themselves only repeating the experience of earlier generations after other big wars.

It is but human nature to relax after a period of high-strung tension, to plunge, perhaps hysterically, without over-much thought or care for the consequences, into new and effervescent experiences which shall banish, unhappy, nerve-wrecked memories, and to place faith in curt phrases and smooth words rather than face plain and powerful truths.

That is what we have been doing; but now the bubbles are settling, the froth has almost vanished, and with new eyes we are beginning to seek again the simplicities of life—and in the peace and quietude of all things to find real strength.

The pendulum is daily swinging faster in this direction. That is being made evident in nearly every habit of thought, word, and deed. Good reading matter, thought provoking and intellectually satisfying, is beginning to replace a long-flowing spate of emotional, meaningless trash, or worse rubbish bearing the seeds of dangerous weeds. Hectic dance-floor antics and caperings are slowing down into dances that seek to capture something of skill and grace and beauty both of rhythm and movement, while conversation is becoming less flippant, less superficially clever.

Political buffoonery and the incessant claptrap, which is nought but a meaningless string of words with no core of reality, has almost exhausted itself. To whichever party they belong political adherents are compelled by cold realities to search for the sincere and the tangible. It is an appetite that will not be denied.

To-day's Demand.

The man who went through the war and is now a middle-aged pater-familias looks back over the years and knows that youth has had its wild jazzy fling, and that experience and sanity are again coming into their own. Captains of industry, too, are finding that out in the business world. Youth may be full of impetuous drive, bright but very often hare-brained ideas, and chock-full of ability to trample carelessly and contemptuously over each and every precept carved out of wisdom.

What is now wanted, it is every day being made clearer, is the sound experience and rock-like simplicity which is worth all the "cleverness" and "slimness" ever devised. The raw outlook of youth and the bluff of the incompetent are being pushed back to their proper place in the scheme of things.

One senses the growth of a finer, more serious and more mature sense of responsibility. Witless and noisy arrogance is giving way to a thoughtful appreciation of things as they are; shadowy talk of "rights" is being blown away by the realisation that it is well to get a grip on the substance of usefulness.

There is perhaps the danger always to be faced with any violent swing of the pendulum. There is the danger of being borne too swiftly and too strongly. But, that danger avoided, the era that is dawning will be a golden one; an era of Reality exchanged for tinsel; an era which, like the once sneered at Victorian era, gave us giants and real progress.

RICHARD SELWYN MAXWELL.

NO END TO CRAZY NOTORIETY.

By HELEN ROSE

CANDLES have always attracted moths. Limelight always attracts mutts. Pioneers have a lot to answer for. They blaze a trial for a lot of copy-cats.

To-day is the golden age of notoriety. People are crazy to do something, anything, no matter what, so long as they are first.

The pioneer does something daring that keeps him or her in the newspapers for weeks. And up crops a host of copy-cats. Someone flies to the North Pole, and someone else, not to be beaten, sits on a pole in Peckham. The heroes of the Olympic Games become the doped couples who totter round in some dance marathon.

The old saint who sat for years on the top of a pillar is stale cheese to the young fellow who sits for weeks on the top of a pole!

Sharing Gate-money.

People do things to-day that would have put them in the stocks, or the county gaol, a century ago, or found them under the village pump. Nowadays they share the gate money and have their photographs taken.

There are people who think it frightfully smart to be married in a diving bell or other equally inappropriate place. These people never realise that they are making themselves a hideous nuisance to those whose duty it is to guard the nation's fools.

And when all's said and done, what have they really done except to make colossal fools of themselves, and everyone is butchered to make their holiday.

A great many of these antics are performed where the crowd can come and gape. And it pays good money to come and gape. It is not healthy and natural curiosity on the part of these onlookers to see and applaud deeds of daring. It is the sadistic streak that prompts them to watch for hours wretched creatures flogged round the dance floor by jazz and cocaine, in the last stages of exhaustion, or swaying above their heads on squatting poles.

For there is a pathetic side to all this. It is not only the love of limelight to some of the performers. It is rather terrible to think that a $10 note will sometimes mean so much to them that they will exhibit themselves to the stares of a ribald crowd for days on end to win a small prize.

All for Publicity.

But there are heaps of people who engineer foolish expeditions and ridiculous competitions just for the publicity it brings.

Well, we're supposed to be a cleverer crowd than our grandparents. Perhaps the grandchildren of the "pole cats" will boast of how grandma sat on a pole for thirty-six hours, or grandpa danced in a marathon till he dropped.

Anyhow, it is high time that the authorities put a stop to some

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RUBBER OUTPUT RESTRICTION.

NEW APPROACH BY DUTCH GOVT.

AGREEMENT HOPE.

The Hague, Mar. 10.

Hopes for an agreement between British and Dutch producers for the restriction of rubber output have been revived by an announcement that negotiations are pending in London which will be attended by Heer Luytjes, Adviser to the Dutch Colonial Minister and a British Government official.

Heer Luytjes has been instructed to point out the difficulties with which the Dutch Government is faced and to acquaint himself with the British ideas with a view to an early decision by the Dutch Government.

The Committee of the Dutch Rubber Growers Association, who are all restrictionists, have also left for London to confer with British growers who favour a restriction scheme.

The present negotiations are a continuation of last November's discussions, which were attended by Dr. Van Der Waals, a Dutch Government official.—*Reuter.*

COOLIE'S FIND OF AMMUNITION.

DESCRIBED AS "AN OLD FOOL."

An old coolie named Tsang Shing was charged before Mr. Fraser at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning with possession of 87 rounds of .38 ammunition.

Inspector Smith, who prosecuted, stated that the police raided a house in Po Kwong Road, and on the ground floor, where the defendant lived, found the ammunition. Defendant was some months ago employed by a seaman to repair a hut in Ma Tau Wai. The ammunition was hidden in the roof of the hut and in the process of repair, it fell out. Defendant kept it and took it home with the intention of selling it. About four days ago, he asked someone to buy the ammunition, and this person later told the police of the matter, as a result of which the defendant was arrested. The police had made inquiries into the matter and were satisfied that this story was **probably true.**

"Defendant is just an old fool," concluded Inspector Smith.

His Worship:—You think he is a law-abiding citizen and has just foolishly kept this ammunition?—Yes.

Inspector Smith remarked that the ammunition was old.

His Worship adjourned the case for further enquiries.

NEWS SELLERS' LICENCES.

WHOLE MATTER BEING REVIEWED.

The increase in the number of newspaper hawkers, licensed and otherwise, resulting from the local boom in Shanghai war news, again received the attention of the Magistrate (Mr. Wynne-Jones) at the Central Police Court this morning.

Mr. T. H. King, the Acting Inspector General of Police, referring to a case before the Court yesterday, said that a newspaper report with regard to what the prosecuting police officer, Inspector Shaftain, had said about not having received instructions not to charge these people was misleading. Any suggestion, Mr. King said, that the police had not taken notice of what his Worship had stated was contrary to the fact. Before his Worship had commented on the question, he (Mr. King) had been in communication with the Secretary for Chinese Affairs. The matter was being reviewed in its entirety, apart from the question of an increase in the number of licences, Mr. King added.

SNATCHER SENT TO GAOL.

PORTUGUESE LADY ROBBED.

A bag-snatching incident in Austin Road yesterday afternoon had a sequel at the Kowloon Magistracy, before Mr. Fraser, this morning, when a youth named Tsoi Tin-hay was charged with snatching a handbag from Miss E. Sousa.

Inspector Elston informed his Worship that Miss Souza was just entering St. Mary's Convent at about 6 p.m. yesterday when defendant came up behind her and snatched her handbag. She shouted out for help and gave chase, the defendant running in the direction of Chatham Road, when he was caught by a young man whose name the police did not know.

His Worship:—Did he use violence on you, Miss Sousa?—No, your Worship.

His Worship (to defendant):—It is lucky for you that you did not use violence. Just to show you what to expect if you commit these offences, I sentence you to six months' hard labour.

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FULL DETAILS.

Berlin, Mar. 10.

Full details of the arrangement between the Nanking Government and a famous German firm for the erection of large iron and steel works in China, have now been disclosed.

The firm concerned in the scheme is the Gute Hoffnungshuette, of Oberhausen, one of the works belonging to the Haniel concern.

A contract has already been signed with the Nanking Government, and the Oberhausen firm will erect an iron and steel foundry in the neighbourhood of Nanking, for the production of rolled iron, steel and pig-iron.

Capital Agreement.

The necessary capital will be supplied by Messrs. Haniel on credit to the Chinese Government, repayable in instalements. The erection is estimated to cost G$20,000,000 but it will not begin until normal conditions in China have been restored.

The Chinese-Hoffnung agreement provides for the issue to the Company of Chinese Government bonds to the value of G$20,000,000 at seven per cent. interest, redeemable in ten years by instalments.—*Reuter.*

"LADIES NIGHT."

SUCCESSFUL EVENT AT Y.M.C.A.

The capacity of the West Lounge at the Y.M.C.A. was taxed to its utmost last night, when the Ladies' Night for March was held. An unusually enjoyable programme was enjoyed by the large gathering after dinner, and the artistes who contributed in such a degree to the success of the function were well worthy of the reception accorded them.

The inimitable G.W.E. True, whose songs at the piano are no less popular than his wanderings over the keyboard set the ball rolling with a delightful effort entitled "And Her Mother Came Too", and for it, was naturally encored. A few harmonisations, improvisations and sensations with the piano helped to satisfy an insistent audience.

The names of Mrs. H. L. Lockhart and Mrs. P. St. A. Sharpham are now household words in Hongkong and with their appearance on the programme the success of the evening was assured. Both sang delightfully. Mrs. Lockhart's "My Dear Soul" was particularly enjoyed as was Mrs. Sharpham's "Comin' Through the Rye".

Miss Norah Flint, D.R.C.M., a newcomer to Ladies' Night functions, gave some extremely fine violin solos and was repeatedly recalled, while Mrs. Bowes-Smith offered appropriate accompaniment.

The Y.M.C.A. jester, Mr. Jack Grenham, whose impromptu punning has caused many a laugh, was in his best form, which is sufficient to indicate that he was one of the big successes of the evening. Two clever comedy songs, aided by some irrelevant but amusing patter, helped to keep the audience in a state of mirth for some twenty minutes!

Mrs. A. W. Ingram gave a selection of recitations, including the famous Australian "classic," Ginger Megs, the audience displaying their appreciation in no uncertain manner.

Messrs. R. Dormer and E. F. Selk, further Y.M.C.A. contributors, kept the gathering convulsed with an apache diversion, while Mr. F. V. Whitta wound up the programme with a clever and amusing description of the Life History of Sir Walter Raleigh, which, although not to be found in school text books, should be!

Once again the Y.M.C.A. Ladies' Night proved itself to be one of the most successful events organised by the Association, and the Social Committee is to be congratulated on its achievement. The programme was one of the most entertaining and stimulating yet presented in the building and it was fitting there should be such a large gathering to display its appreciation.

HOPES & FEARS IN NORTH.

SHANGHAI OUTLOOK PUZZLING.

CHINA'S STAND.

Shanghai, Mar. 10.

"The Japanese authorities at Shanghai, both civil and military, are prepared to enter into negotiations with the Chinese authorities in accordance with the League Assembly's resolution of March 4," says a Note handed to the Chinese authorities by the Japanese Minister, Mr. Shigemitsu.

The Note adds: "As there is reason to entertain some anxiety concerning the situation at the front, it is deemed a matter of urgent necessity forthwith to reach as early as possible definite agreement for the cessation of hostilities and then discuss and determine the arrangement for the withdrawal of the Japanese forces.

"The Japanese authorities have all along presumed that the Japanese attitude on the matter has been understood by the Chinese authorities. However, having failed to hear anything from the Chinese authorities since the aforesaid resolution was passed, they wish to make clear beyond all doubt their readiness to negotiate along the lines laid down in the resolution.—*Reuter.*

A Japanese View.

Shanghai, Mar. 10, 6.09 p.m.

Declaring that the Chinese hitherto had made no move to implement the League Assembly's resolution of March 4, a Japanese diplomat seen by Reuter said the outlook was not very hopeful.

He believed China intended to rely on the League rather than on direct negotiations with Japan, and now apparently is waiting for the decision of the Assembly before replying to Mr. Shigemitsu's note.

He declared that the position from the military angle was quiet. A cessation of hostilities existed, but no agreement making the suspension final had been reached. When this was achieved, the Japanese could hold a conference with the Chinese to discuss a withdrawal of the Japanese forces.—*Reuter.*

Chinese Reply.

Shanghai, Mar. 10, 10.18 p.m.

China's reply to the Japanese terms for peace was handed to Sir Miles Lampson to-day, for transmission to the local Japanese authorities.

It says that the Chinese Government, having accepted the resolution of the League Assembly, is prepared to enter into negotiations in accordance with the terms of the resolution passed at Geneva on March 4, and on the understanding:

Firstly, that such negotiations are limited to the matter pertaining only to definite cessation of hostilities and complete withdrawal of the Japanese forces.

Secondly, no condition shall be attached to such withdrawal.

It goes on to say:

"The receipt, through Sir Miles Lampson, of a communication from the Japanese authorities, makes it clear that the Japanese are equally ready to enter into the proposed negotiations. The Chinese Government considers, therefore, that the way is open for commencing such negotiations."—*Reuter.*

New Attack Feared.

Shanghai, Mar. 10, 6.33 p.m.

According to Chinese reports, the Japanese are constructing an aerodrome at Liuho. Chinese army circles fear that the Japanese are preparing for another attack.—*Reuter.*

Foreign Forces.

Shanghai, Mar. 10 6.09 p.m.

A total of 85 warships are at present at Shanghai and Woosung.

Japan has 55, including four transports; Britain 8, the United States 15, France 4, the Netherlands one, Italy 4 and Portugal 2.

The Japanese forces ashore are estimated at 40,000 troops and 4,500 naval units.—*Reuter.*

Curfew Hour Being Extended.

Shanghai, Mar. 10, 6.33 p.m.

As a result of the amelioration of the situation, the Municipal Council has decided as from March 12 that the curfew hours of the International Settlement be from 11.30 p.m. to 4 a.m., instead of beginning at 10 p.m.

Amusement resorts and others whose business has suffered severely since the curfew was imposed, are greatly relieved, not to mention those accustomed to enjoying the amenities of Shanghai's famous night life.

Shipping Resuming.

With the removal of the war zone, shipping is rapidly returning to normal. Most of the Chinese companies have restored the coastal and river services, while it is believed those foreign companies which dropped Shanghai from their itinerary when hostilities were at their height, will now again include it.—*Reuter.*

Commission of Nineteen.

Geneva, Mar. 10.

The drafting committee of the special Assembly convoked to consider the Sino-Japanese dispute has drawn up a resolution proposing the creation of a Commission of nineteen, including the president, M. Hymans, and twelve Council members, to consider the subject and report to another Assembly on May 1.

It is anticipated that the Japanese will accept the resolution, which after that will be passed.

The draft resolution was submitted last night to the bureau of the Assembly from the sub-committees appointed to co-ordinate eight resolutions.

It is expected that a plenary session of the Assembly will be held on Saturday.

Press reports state it is understood that the resolution to be put forward will contain three sections, in which the preamble will assert the solemn and binding authority of the League Covenant and will place particular emphasis upon the observance of Article Ten concerning the national integrity of any member of the League, and will affirm that no member of the League can regard as legal and valid any territorial or political gain obtained without the sanction of the League or by armed intervention.

The history of the various steps taken in the League Council will, it is stated, be reviewed, and reasserted in the resolution, of which the third section will deal with the numbers, personnel and competence of the commission to be established by the League to supervise peace negotiations.—*Reuter and British Wireless.*

Title of Emperor.

Changchun, Mar. 10.

It is predicted to-day that the ceremonies in connexion with Mr. Pu Yi's installation are not yet complete, and it is expected that within a few days he will be proclaimed Emperor.

Already his entourage are giving him that title.

To-night Changchun city walls were plastered with official announcements. The new Government recognises all treaties concluded with foreign Powers before the Revolution in 1911.

The Cabinet appointments were announced to-night, and include Chang Hsiao-hsu, Mr. Pu Yi's tutor, as Premier, and the redoubtable Chinese hero, Gen. Ma Chan-shan, as War Minister.

The appointments include a Japanese named Komai as Chief of the General Department of the Cabinet.—*Reuter Morning Post Special.*

The New Flag.

Dairen, Mar. 10.

The first appearance on the high seas of the five coloured flag of Manchoukuo will be made on Saturday, when the s.s. Liangshing (1,800 tons) will leave for Osaka. The vessel is commanded by Captain Sasaki and belongs to the Fuchowan coalmines.—*Reuter.*

THE DANUBIAN COUNTRIES.

ECONOMIC FUTURE DISCUSSED.

London, Mar. 10.

Answering a House of Commons question to-day, the Foreign Under-Secretary, Captain Eden, stated that some weeks ago the British Government initiated a preliminary exchange of views between the Great Powers on the economic restoration of the Danubian countries.

Owing to material difficulties of arranging simultaneous meetings at Geneva between the representatives of these Powers, it has been impossible as yet to carry the discussion to a point where any announcement could be made by the British Government in regard to any plan of action, but it was the intention of the Foreign Secretary to pursue the matter in collaboration with the other Governments concerned.—*British Wireless.*

SUN COMPANY TRICKED.

CUSTOMER'S RUSE SUCCEEDS.

An unknown Chinese walked into the Sun Company's store in Des Voeux Road Central yesterday and, promising payment of cash on delivery, ordered some $300 worth of goods, to be sent to No. 14, Front Row, Bay View.

The goods were delivered at an hour arranged, and the customer, who was at the address to take delivery, requested the two coolies bringing the goods to fix up a bedstead he had included in the order. While they were so occupied, he disappeared, and the coolies found that he had taken away the other goods, consisting of leather trunks, cloth and haberdashery, which they had left in an adjoining room.

The trick has been reported to the police.

RADIO BROADCAST

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5.00-7.00 p.m. Chinese Programme.

7.00-10.30 p.m. European Programme.

7.03-9.00 p.m. A Programme of records kindly loaned by "The British Film Distribution Company" and played on "Western Electric Sound Equipment."

8.00 p.m. (Local Time).

7.03-7.13 p.m.

"This Is the Missus"-"Life is Just a Bowl of Cherries"-"That's Why Darkies Were Born" (From George White's "Scandals").

Played by Paul Whiteman and His Orchestra.

7.27-8.20 p.m. (Approx:).

First Two Episodes of A Radio Mystery in Six Episodes-"The Amber God" (Henry H. Clifford).

8.20-9.00 p.m. (Approx:).

"Leave the Rest to Nature" (From "The Chance of a Nightime").
Sung by Billie Lockwood.

"King of Jazz" Selections.
Played by the Regal Cinema Orch.

"You are my Heart's Delight" (From "The Land of Smiles").
Sung by Frank Titterton (Tenor).

"Kiss Walt ."

"Wine, Women and Song"-Waltz.
Played by Johann Strauss and His Orchestra.

"To-day I Feel so Happy" (From "Sunshine Susie").
Sung by Renate Muller (Soprano).

"Hungarian Rhapsody No. 2".
Excerpts (Liszt-Wood).

"Partita in E" (Bach-Wood).
Played by Sir Henry J. Wood conducting the New Queen's Hall Orch.

"Patiently Smiling" (From "The Land of Smiles").
Sung by Frank Titterton (Tenor).

7.13-7.27 p.m.

Selections from "Viennese Nights."
Played by The Millionaires.

"Plantation Melodies."
Played by Herman Finck and Orch.

"Just Because I Lost my Heart to You" (From "Sunshine Susie").
Sung by Renate Muller (Soprano).

9.00-10.30 p.m.

Operatic Concert from Studio.
Programme.

Pianoforte Solo.
Rigoletto—Concert Paraphrase—(Verdi-Liszt) Miss Luba Pecker.

Songs.
(a) Cavatina from "The Queen of "Sheba" (Gounod).
(b) Eben ne andro lontano from "Vally" (Catalani).
Madame Elisabeth Ferrajolo (Soprano) accompanied by Professor Gualdi.

Songs.
(a) Berceuse de "Jocelyn" (Godard).
(b) Arioso de "Benvenuto" (Diaz).
Mr. Li Chor Chi (Tenor) accompanied by Miss Zemmerman.

Songs.
(a) Recit. and Aria from "Rinaldo" Lascia Ch'io Pianga (Handel).
(b) The Powers that Dwell Below from "Alceste" (Gluck).
Mrs. Helen Lockhart (Contralto) accompanied by Mrs. Scott-Little.

Songs.
(a) Eri tu che macchiavi-"Ballo in Maschera" (Verdi).
(b) Deh vieni alla finestra-"Don Giovanni" (Mozart).
Mr. G. F. D'Aquino (Baritone) accompanied by Miss Luba Pecker.

Pianoforte Solo.
Valse from "Faust" (Gounod-Liszt) Miss Luba Pecker.

Songs.
(a) Oh! Recall Not from "Sonnambula" (Bellini).
(b) O cieli azurri from "Aida" (Verdi).
Madame Elisabeth Ferrajolo (Soprano) accompanied by Professor Gualdi.

Songs.
(a) Una Furtiva Lagrima from "L'Elisir d'Amore" (Donizetti).
(b) Recondita Armonia from "La Tosca" (Puccini).
Mr. Li Chor Chi (Tenor) accompanied by Professor Guildi.

Songs.
Softly Awakes My Heart from "Samson and Delilah" (Saint-Saens).
Mrs. Helen Lockhart (Contralto) accompanied by Mrs. Scott-Little.

Songs.
(a) Senza tetto, senzt cuna from "Il Guarany" (Gomes).
(b) Il balen del suo sorriso from "Il Trovatore" (Verdi).
Mr. G. F. D'Aquino (Baritone) accompanied by Miss Luba Pecker.

10.33 p.m. Close Down.

NO END TO CRAZY NOTORIETY.

(Continued from Page 6.)

of these miserable antics, if only to protect the performers aganst themselves.

D.O.R.A. still curtails our drinks and closes our kiosks, but she stares quite complacently on the dance arena, and cranes her neck to see a young lady crash from a 10ft. pole.

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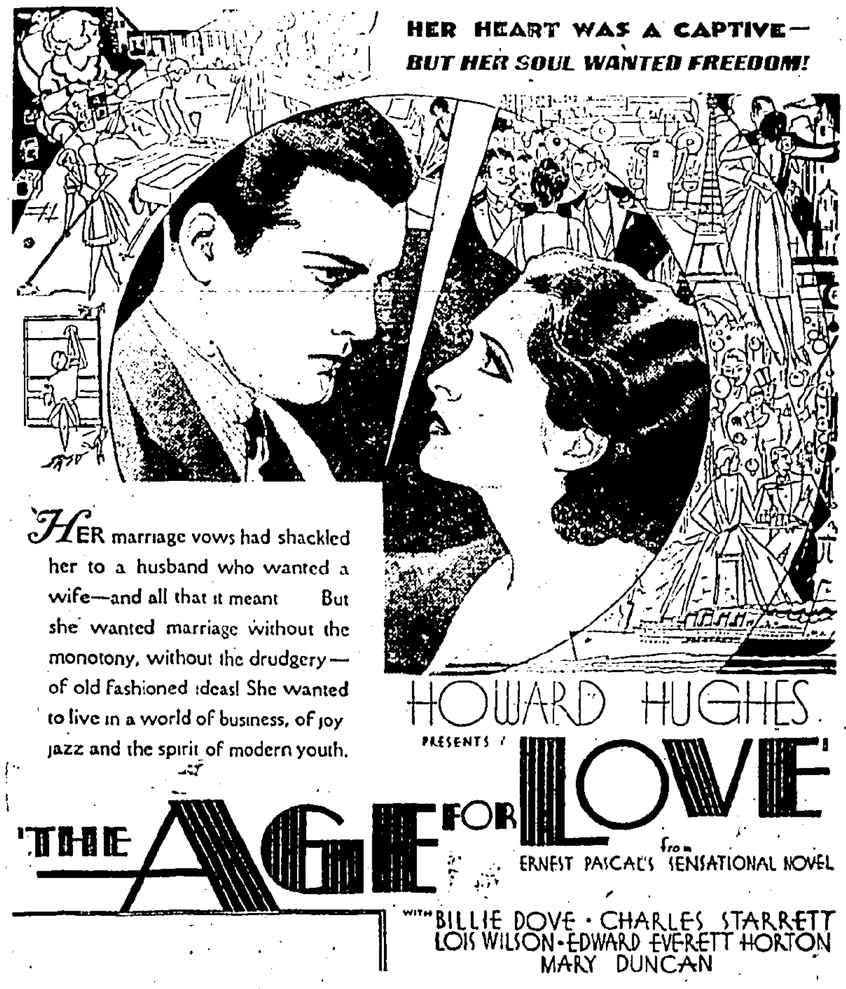
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LOCAL RUGBY.

SEVEN-A-SIDE TOURNEY TO-MORROW.

The arrangements for the Seven-A-Side tournament are now complete. The Band of the South Wales Borderers, which has been kindly lent by Lieut. Col. G. T. Raikes, D.S.O. and officers of the Regiment, will play selections for twenty minutes prior to the kick-off of the first match and also during the short interval between the second semi-final and the final.

The committee are anxious that intending spectators should be in their places some minutes before 3 p.m. as this will facilitate, to some extent, the keeping of the time table as regards matches.

The competition is under the distinguished patronage of His Excellency the Governor and a number of prominent members of the Legislative Council have indicated their intention of being present while some have also sent subscriptions to the Charity fund in whose aid the competition is being staged.

The eight teams competing in the quarter finals to-morrow are.—H.M.S. Cumberland, H.M.S. Tamar and Small Ships "A", H.M.S. Hermes, 4th Submarine Flotilla "A", 4th Submarine Flotilla "B", Kowloon "A", Hongkong Football Club "A" and the South Wales Borderers.

V.R.C. MEETING.

SWIMMING ASSOCIATION DOOMED?

That the Hongkong Amateur Swimming Association might have to close down on account of lac of finances, was announced by Mr. W. Logan in reply to a question asked by a member at the annual meeting of the Victoria Recreation Club last evening.

The Hon. Mr. W. T. Southorn presided, and was supported by other members of the committee.

Before proceeding with the business of the meeting, Mr. Logan asked the members to stand in silent respect for the late Mr. D. S. Gubbay, one of their oldest members, who died during the past year.

The chairman said that before he formally moved the adoption of the report and statement of accounts he would like to make a personal apology to the club for having been so remiss in his duties as chairman during the past year. At the beginning of the club's year, after his return from Home leave, he was so occupied that he had found it very difficult to devote much time to the Club. During the summer when the night fetes were held he had been occupied on each evening except one. He made arrangements to attend that fete but unfortunately a typhoon occurred and prevented him from seeing the fete, which was postponed.

Admirable Work.

In congratulating the officers of the club for the very successful year's work the chairman said that he doubted whether any club had presented during the past year a report and statement of accounts as admirable as that of the V.R.C. Progress had been made in almost every direction, except, he thought, in the gymnasium, and they had finished with a balance on the right side—there being a balance of $4,142.96 of which they had every reason to be proud.

Continuing, the chairman said that he thought it was the appropriate moment to propose a hearty vote of thanks and congratulation to the committee of the Club for the admirable year's work.

The Club was to be congratulated on its water polo successes. The team had won the shield without losing a single match, a very fine record indeed. The chairman said he was interested to see the enthusiasm which was being taken in rowing. He understood that in years past rowing was a great feature of the V.R.C. and it was gratifyng to see the interest being revived.

Commenting upon the building itself, the chairman said that he had been there several times but had geldom seen it so spick and span as it was yesterday evening. That was also a credit to the committee.

On the report and statement of accounts being seconded they were put to the meeting and carried unanimously.

Election of Officers.

The electon of officers was then proceeded with, the following being elected for the ensuing year:

Chairman, Mr. W. Logan; Hon. Secretary, Mr. F. W. T. Ross; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. H. Hyndman.

General Committee.—Messrs. J. R. Soares, S. V. Gittins, J. M. M. Alves, Dr. D. Laing, P. A. Dixon, J. A. Victor, W. Anderson, S. A. Marcel and Col. F. Eaves.

Balloting Committee.—Messrs. H. M. Remedios, L. Soares, E. Zimmern, L. Roza Pereira, C. E. Roza Pereira, W. Clarke, D. Lopes, W. J. Howard, G. Travers, M. M. Soares and H. J. Silva.

Mr. R. M. Rocha suggested that the committee consider the reduction of the monthly subscription from $3 to $2, but it was pointed out that the time was not opportune.

Mr. Rocha later brought up the question of the award of the prizes for last year's championships. He remarked that he had seen a certain amount of comment in the Press regarding the matter and asked for the official view.

Mr. Logan remarked that it was a very long story. Two years ago they started the Hongkong Amateur Swimming Association which now had no money. The Association were morally responsible for the prizes, but the V.R.C. found they would have to secure prizes for the successful competitors. The Hongkong Amateur Swimming Association, continued Mr. Logan, might have to close down.

Before the meeting concluded, the Hon. Mr. Southorn expressed a vote of thanks to the retiring committee, mentioning particularly Messrs. Hyndman and Victor.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	Previous Day.	Yesterday.
Paris	94	92⅞
Geneva	19.07½	18.7/16
Berlin	15.45	15.5/16
Oslo	18.35	18.7/16
Helsingfors	217½	217½
Athens	280	285
Buenos Aires	38.1/16	38⅜
Shanghai	1/9.9/16	1/9½
New York	3.69¾	3.66
Amsterdam	9.18	9.06
Vienna	32	32
Madrid	48⅜	48
Bucharest	625	615
Hongkong	1/4¼	1/4.1/16
Brussels	26.9/16	26.25
Milan	71.1/16	70⅛
Stockholm	18½	18⅛
Copenhagen	18.15	18.15
Prague	124½	120
Lisbon	110	110
Rio	4	4
Bombay	1/6.9/64	1/6.9/64
Yokohama	1/8⅝	1/9
Montevideo	29⅛	80⅛
Montreal	4.12	4.08⅛
Silver (spot)	17⅛	17⅛
" (forward)	17.11/16	18.1/16

— British Wireless.

EASTER RACES.

PROGRAMME FOR EASTER MEETING.

The full programme for the Second Extra Race Meeting at Easter, organised by the Jockey Club for the 26th instant and 28th, Saturday and Monday respectively, is as follows:

Commonwealth Handicap. — For China Ponies, "D" Class. To be ridden by Jockeys who have not won ten races anywhere at any time. One Mile.

Roschill Handicap.—For Australian Ponies, "A" Class. Entrance $5. Six Furlongs.

Commonwealth Handicap. — For China Ponies, "C" Class. From the Two Mile Post Once Round and In (about One Mile 171 Yards).

Griffins of this Season, whether starters or not. Weight for inches as per scale. Non-winnings starters allowed 7 lbs. Winners of two races, 7 lb. penalty; of more than two races, barred. Jockey Allowance. Allowances accumulative: One and a Quarter Mile.

Roschill Handicap.—For Australian Ponies, "B" Class. Six Furlongs.

Colonial Stakes.—For China Ponies, First Aggregate Stakes. Value $750. Second $300. Third $200. For China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners of $5,000 or more in stakes anywhere since 1st January, 1932. 5 lb. penalty; of $4,000 to $4,999, 5 lb. allowance; of $3,000 to $3,999, 7 lb allowance; of less than $3,000, 10 lb. allowance. The Stakes will be run for six times, or as decided by the Stewards. At the end of the Sehson, an additional sum of $2,000 will be divided between the ponies scoring most marks in the races for the Stakes during the Season in the proportion of first 70%, second 20%, and third 10% of the added money, so far as is consistent with ties. Marks to count 4 for a win, 2 for a second and 1 for a third in each race. The benefit of marks already scored to pass with a pony on a sale. Six Furlongs.

Commonwealth Handicap. — For China Ponies, "E" Class. One Mile.

Commonwealth Handicap. — For China Ponies. "B" Class. From the Two Mile Post Once Round and In (about One Mile 171 Yards).

Dominion Plate.—For China Ponies, Subscription Griffins of the Club of this Season, whether starters or not. Weight for inches as per scale. Non-winning starters allowed 7 lb. Winners of two races, 7 lb penalty; of more than two races, barred. Jockey Allowance. Allowances accumulative. One and a Quarter Miles.

Commonwealth Handicap. — For China Ponies, "A" Class. One and a Half Miles.

Union Plate.—For China Ponies, Subscription Griffins of this Club of this Season. Weight for inches as per scale. Ponies which have not won $600 in stakes, allowed 5 lb. Winners barred Jockey allowance. Allowances accumulative. Six Furlongs.

Mirs Bay Handicap.—For China Ponies, "A" Class. One and a Quarter Miles.

Canterbury Park Handicap.—For Australian Ponies, "B" Class. From the Two Mile Post Once Round and In (about One Mile 171 Yards).

Gin Drinkers Bay Plate.—For China Ponies which have started at least twice at race Meetings of this Club since 1st January, 1932 and have not won a race since 1st January, 1932. Weight 145 lb. 1 lb. penalty for every $200 or part thereof won in stakes since 1st January, 1932. To be ridden by Jockeys who have not won ten races anywhere at any time. Jockeys, 2 lb. penalty for each race won; maximum penalty 10 lb. Penalties accumulative. One Mile.

Mirs Bay Handicap.—For China Ponies, "E" Class. Six Furlongs.

Starling Stake.—For China Ponies, Subscription Griffins of this Club of this Season which have not won more than $1,000 in stakes. Weight for inches as per scale. 2 lb. penalty for every $200 or part thereof won in stakes. Jockey Allowance. From the Two Mile Post Once Round and In (about One Mile 171 Yards).

Easter Stakes.—For China Ponies. Weight 145 lb. Winners at any time of one race, 5 lb.; of two races, 7 lb.; of three races, 10 lb.; of four or more races, 15 lb.; penalty. One Mile.

Mirs Bay Handicap.—For China Ponies, "D" Class. Six Furlongs.

Canterbury Park Handicap.—For Australian Ponies, "A" Class. From the Two Mile Post Once Round and In (about One Mile 171 Yards).

Mirs Bay Handicap.—For China Ponies, "B" Class. One Mile.

Tolo Plate.—For China Ponies, Griffins of this Season which have started at least twice at race Meetings of this Club and have never won a race. Weight for inches as per scale. 2 lb. penalty for every $200 or part thereof won in stakes. Jockey Allowance. One and a Quarter Miles.

Mirs Bay Handicap.—For China Ponies, "C" Class. One Mile.

A NOVEL TEST.

HEAVY-WEIGHTS FLY CHANNEL.

London, Mar. 10.

The capabilities of the cross-Channel air service underwent a novel test when three heavy-weight boxers, aggregating fifty stones, embarked under the anxious eyes of the pilot.

Previously Carnera, who was one of the three, had provided the officials of the Paris airport with a conundrum, as the scales upon which every passenger must be weighed would not register his weight.

After some discussion, the formality was overcome by the officials deciding to accept Carnera's word that he weighed only twenty stones.

—Reuter's Special Service.

A SURPRISE RESULT.

DEFEAT FOR MARTON & OWEN HUGHES.

General anticipations were not realised when Marton and Owen Hughes met Walsham and Segalen in the open doubles championship yesterday, the latter pair winning an interesting match by the odd set in three.

Owen Hughes was not at his best, and despite Marton's clever all-court play, the sound understanding between Walsham and Segalen won the day.

The Frenchman and his partner took the first set at 7-5, but were forced to concede the next. They displayed marked superiority in the final set and deservedly won.

The day's results were:

Open Doubles.

Walsham and Segalen beat Owen Hughes and Marton 7-5, 3-6, 6-3.

Handicap Singles "A."

T. J. Price beat G. E. R. Divett 6-2, 6-3.

D. S. Green beat G. W. A. Tufton 6-1, 3-6, 8-6.

C. F. Hyde beat D. B. Evans 6-4, 2-6, 6-1.

Handicap Doubles.

Henderson and Monoghan beat Scull and Stark 5-7, 6-2, 6-3.

Sewell and Wright beat Puncheon and Railton 6-4, 5-7, 6-3.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

Club Championship.

A. D. Humphreys v. D. B. Evans.

Handicap Singles "A."

J. J. Waite v. T. C. Monoghan.

W. M. Barton v. C. C. Stark.

L. G. Robertson v. N. H. L. Railton.

A. C. I. Bowker v. R. M. Henderson.

Handicap Doubles.

Robb and Bryden v. Penn and Collis.

Blackford and Selby v. Foley and Montgomery.

Handicap Mixed Doubles.

Col. and Mrs. Lecky v. A. J. Palmer and Miss Stevenson.

FRIENDLY HOCKEY.

HONGKONG TEAM FOR GAME THIS AFTERNOON.

The following will represent the Hongkong Hockey Club "A" Team against Radio Sports Club at 5.15 p.m., to-day at Caroline Hill.—R. W. Sapsed, L. A. R. Duncan, F. W. Allen, H. Owen-Davies, E. C. Dale, K. H. Uttley, L. D. Kilbee, J. L. Tetley, S. Hill, W. H. Smith and F. Potter.

Monday's Match.

The following will represent the Hongkong Hockey Club 2nd XI against the Central British Association on Monday on the Club ground at 5.15 p.m. sharp.—R. W. Sapsed, L. F. Nicholson, L. A. R. Duncan, H. D. Lowe, E. G. Dale, H. K. Potter, R. D. Kilbee, S. J. H. Fox, W. A. Nowers, S. Hill, G. F. Rees.

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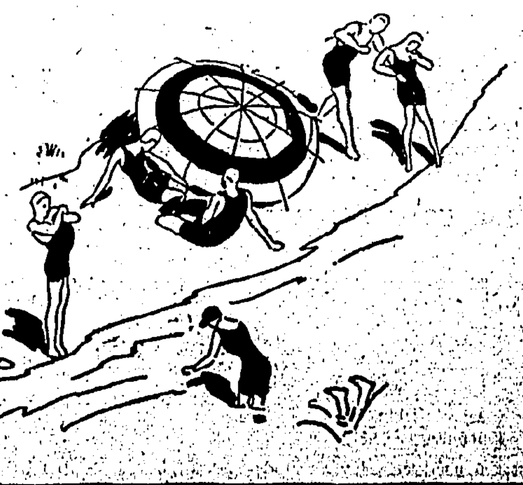
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CINEMA SCREENINGS.

NOTES SUPPLIED BY THE THEATRES.

The blues won't have a chance when Radio Pictures' wartime comedy "Half Shot at Sunrise," opens at the Queen's Theatre on Sunday.

Then according to advance stories about this production, featuring Bert Wheeler and Robert Woolsey, comedians of "The Cuckoos" fame, "you can put the undertakers to digging wells."

Previewers have said: "A triumph in fun making!" "The funniest men in the talkies to-day . . . or to-morrow!" "A comedy with a STORY!" "Go ahead and laugh . . . there's nothing you can do for it!"

Here are some of the things they are talking about: Five song hits by Harry Tierney, who wrote the music for "Rio Rita" and "Dixiana"; the famous Tiller Sunshine Girls; songs —"Riviera Moon," entrancingly romantic! "Nothing but Love," a rare treat in laughter. "Whistling the Blues Away," a foot teaser. "On Parade!" an inspiring marching song. "Kiss Me, Cherie," will make you hold hands even with somebody's grandfather.

The story: "Two American doughboys go A.W.O.L. in Paris during the big scrap and learn about . . . everything"!

The cast: Wheeler, Woolsey, Hugh Trevor, Dorothy Lee, Roberta Robinson, Edna May Oliver, John Rutherford, George MacFarlane, Katya Sorina and Leni Stengel.

"The Yellow Ticket."

Directed by the man who gave the screen such memorable pictures as "What Price Glory," "The Cock Eyed World," "Sadie Thompson," "The Man Who Came Back," and enacted by such scintillating stars as Elissa Landi, Lionel Barrymore and Laurence Olivier, Raoul Walsh's much heralded Fox drama, "The Yellow Ticket," is showing to-day at the King's Theatre.

Based on Michael Morton's well known stage play of the same name, it tells the vivid story of a young and courageous girl who had to fight single handed against the cruel intrigue and injustices of Czarist Russia's Secret Police for the romance and happiness that was rightfully hers. How she matches her wits against those of the fateful head of this insidious organization, and in the end kills him in self-protection leads the film to one of the most startling denouements ever portrayed on the talking screen.

"The Yellow Ticket" is said to afford Miss Landi an opportunity to display her great emotional and acting ability and that she makes the most of it has been proven by the enthusiasm which had greeted the picture wherever it has been shown. Barrymore, too has been widely acclaimed for his work in the role of the relentless police head, as has Olivier who plays the romantic male lead. Large and lavish sets, which mark all Raoul Walsh's productions form an interesting and impressive background for the unfolding of the story. These include a Russian village, complete in every detail, the ornate palace of the Police head, a realistic Russian railway station and the interior of a train as well as some unique views of St. Petersburg prison.

The remainder of the cast is in keeping with Walsh's high standard of production including such luminaries as Walter Byron, Rita La Roy, Sarah Padden, Mischa Auer, Arnold Korff and Boris Karloff, Jules Furthman who wrote the screen play also collaborated with Guy Bolton on the dialogue.

"Son of India.

"Son of India" with Ramon Novarro in the starring role and a supporting cast which includes Conrad Nagel, Marjorie Rambeau, Madge Evans, C. Aubrey Smith, Mitchell Lewis, John Miljan and Nigel de Brulier will be showing till to-morrow at the Queen's Theatre.

The story, based on the F. Marion Crawford novel, "Mr. Isaacs" places Novarro in an oriental setting, his first since the successful "The Pagan". The picture was directed by Jacques Feyder, who produced the previous Novarro film, "Daybreak."

The plot concerning the son of a wealthy Indian rajah who is precipitated into an amazing series of adventures which start out when a bandit gang murder his father. High spots of the film include: the burial of Novarro alive so that the bandits will not find him; his arrest in Bombay as a beggar for the theft for his own diamond; his rescue from a prison sentence by Nagel; an exciting polo game; Novarro's secret meeting with the American girl in his underground jewel vault; the tiger hunt; Novarro's fight with the bandit who killed his father and the stampede of the maddened elephants.

The picture is resplendent with picturesque backgrounds, strange sights and unusual costumes, such scenes being faithfully reproduced as the streets and buildings of Bombay, India, with its quaint and colourful bazaars; the rugged mountains passes in which the bandits carry on their nefarious trade; and the jungle scenes in which the tiger hunt and elephant stampede take place.

"The Cheat."

A Tickless clock! Ever hear of one? Well, if ever you do, there's one girl who is interested. That's Ann Andrews, featured with Tallulah Bankhead and Irving Pichel in "The Cheat," a new Paramount feature which will be starting next Wednesday at the King's Theatre.

For years, Miss Andrew has been searching for a clock which doesn't tick but will keep good time. Here's why:

"The ticking of a clock will keep me awake all night long," she explains, "and the faint ticking of my wrist watch will do the same unless I smother the noise. The slightest sound in the room will awaken me immediately, but outside of my room the noise will not affect me in the least.

"The hotel elevator can bump up and down all night long—the trains can cut circles around the hotel, and the fire engines can clang up and down the street and I will peacefully sleep through all the racket. But just let a clock tick, or a water faucet drip, and sleep and I are not or friendly terms?"

"The Cheat" is a story of a beautiful woman lured from her husband by a fascinating man of the Orient, who endeavour to win her, first with offers of money and favours, and finally with a threat of what his "mark" branded on her shoulder, will do to her reputation in the event she fails to yield to his pleas.

"The Age For Love."

Howard Hughes, filmdom's leading producer, has never made a mediocre picture, and all of his films have been artistic triumphs and box-office cleanups. "The Age For Love" Mr. Hughes' latest production, which returns Billie Dove to the screen after more than a year's absence, will open to-morrow at the Central.

Like his previous presentations, "The Age For Love" is another smash-picture, and in the metropolitan centres where it has already played, has duplicated the success of Mr. Hughes' "Hell's Angels" and "The Front Page", with both critics and public.

Howard Hughes made his bow to the film industry with "Two Arabian Knights", and followed with "The Racket." Both of these films won awards from the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences as "best pictures" of the years, and won similar honours in the nation-wide polls of the country's leading movie critics.

The young producer then made "Hell's Angels" which was the most lavish and spectacular motion picture of all time, and which established news records of popularity wherever movies are exhibited. More recently he panicked movie audiences everywhere with "The Front Page".

And now comes "The Age For Love", a United Artists release—another bold and sophisticated treatment of a modern subject—love and marriage. This is a new department for Howard Hughes, but as always, he rings the bell once again with superior treatment of a theme tackled with less success by other and less competent and courageous producers.

"The Age For Love" was directed by Frank Lloyd, and is based on the popular novel by Ernest Pascal. Robert E. Sherwood, noted playwright and movie critic composed the dialogue, and in the cast, in addition to Miss Dove, includes Charles Starrett, Lois Wilson, Edward Everett Horton, Mary Duncan, Ardrian Morris and Betty Ross Clarke.

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SOME EXTRACTS FROM THE "TELEGRAPH" FILES.

The following extracts are from the *Hongkong Telegraph* for the week ended March 11th, 1911.

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The rate of the dollar on demand was 1s. 9.9/16d.

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The death occurred in Macao of Dr. L. Pereira Marques.

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The Portuguese Charge d'Affaires from Peking was ordered to proceed to Canton to discuss the Macao boundary problem.

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The wedding took place at St. John's Cathedral of Mr. Morrison Brown Yung and Miss Ada Lylian Quinn.

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The Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce celebrated the 50th year of its establishment.

COMPANY REPORTS.

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

The Yokohama Specie Bank announce that at the 104th Half-yearly Ordinary General Meeting of the shareholders held at the Head Office of this bank at Yokohama on the 10th inst., a net profit of Yen 10,977,876.07 was show, including Yen 5,637,930.46 carried over from last account. It was resolved to make the following allocations:

To Reserve Fund	Y. 1,100,000.00
Dividend of 10% p.a. (for the half-year ended 31st Dec. 1931)	5,000,000.00
To be carried forward to next account	4,877,876.67
	Y.10,977,876.67

"TELEGRAPH" ART SUPPLEMENT.

Big Variety of Pictures To-morrow.

More than twenty pictures of topical interest will appear in to-morrow's issue of the *Telegraph* Pictorial Supplement.

Weddings illustrated will include those of Mr. S. A. Gray and Miss Ellen Christina Mackay Sim, Mr. B. S. Rogers and Miss Spradbery, Mr. H. F. Westlake and Miss McCance, and Mr. R. W. Lane and Miss Storer.

Sports events covered will comprise the University athletics, the soccer match between Portugal and Scotland, and the Race Meeting of Saturday last, whilst a group of the Civil Service Cricket team and a flashlight photo taken at the Yacht Club dinner to Mr. E. W. Carpenter will also be given.

Amongst the groups will be those taken at the opening of the new Po Leung Kuk, the members of the Ambulance Brigade entertained by the Y.W.C.A. before leaving for Shanghai, and the first Baby Welfare Clinic established in Hongkong, two years ago, at the Kwong Wah Hospital.

A snapshot of the Rev. Dr. Hewlett Johnson, Dean of Canterbury, arriving in Hongkong will also appear.

SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.
Hongkong Bank, $1450 sa.
Chartered Banks, £13⅛ n.
Mercantile A. and B., £20 n.
East Asia, $127½ n.

Insurances.
Canton Ins., $1.350 n.
Union Ins., $450 n.
China Underwriters, $4.10 n.
China Fires, $590 n.
H.K. Fire In., $1,250 n,

Shipping.
Douglases, $26½ b.
H. K. Steamboats, $28 n.
Indo-Chinas, (Pref.) $32 n.
Union Waterboats, $25 n.

Mining.
Benguets, $11.75 n.
Kallans, 32/6 n.
S'hai Explorations, Tls. 2.10 n.
Raubs, $39 n.

Docks, etc.
Kowloon Wharves, $144½ b. x. Div.
Whampoa Docks, $29 s.
South China Motors $10 n.
Providents (old), $4.90 b.
Hongkews, Tls. 220 n.
New Engineers Tls. 6½ n.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 90½ n.

Cottons.
Ewo Cottons, Tls. 14.90 n.
Shanghai Cottons, Tls. 80½ n.
Zoon Sings Tls. 11½ n.

Lands, Hotels, etc.
H. K. Hotel (old) $13.75 b.
H. K. S. Hotels (new), $13.45 b.
H. K. Lands, $74 n.
S'hai Lands, Tls. 27 s.
Realties, $9.50 b.
Realties, $9.75 b.

Public Utilities.
Tramways, $20¾ sa.
Peak Trams, (old), $15.60 n.
Star Ferries, $91 n.
China Lights, $21 s.
H. K. Electrics, $73½ b.
Macao Electrics, $28 n.
Telephones, $41 n. x. Div.
China Buses, Tls. 16 n.
Singapore Tractions, 3/- n.

Industrials.
Malabons, $22 s.
Canton Ices, $5 n.
Cements (comb.) $18 n.
Ropes, $16 n.

Stores, etc.
Dairy Farms, $28.50 b.
Watsons, $16 s.
Der A. Wings, $1 n.
Lane Crawfords, $6 n.
Mackintosh, $19 b.
Sinceres $16 n.
Powells, $3.60 n.

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SUGAR MARKET.

THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS.

The following cable at the close of the sugar market yesterday has been received by Messrs. Pentreath and Co.

London Terminals.

March 1933 6/1 down 1¼d.
May 1932 5/3½ down 2¼d.
August 1932 5/6 ¾ down 2d.
December 1932 5/9¾ down 2d.

New York Terminals.

March 1933 1.06 down 3 pts.
May 1932 .80 down 3 pts.
July 1932 .88 down 2 pts.
September 1932 .93 down 2 pts.
December 1932 .99 down 2 pts.
Sourabaya (10/3/32). — Trust Mills sold 19,000 tons Whites, buyers and price not disclosed.

Miscellaneous.
Amusements, $19.90 b.
Entertainments (old) $16¼ n.
Constructions (old) $5.35 s.
S. C. Enterprises $10 n.
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Loans, $4% b. Prem.
Constructions (new), $1.75 n.

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Hongkong, 17th August, 1931.

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Interest allowed on Current Accounts.

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Hongkong, March 11th, 1931.

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Authorised Capital	Straits	$20,000,000
Issued Capital	"	8,000,000
Paid-up Capital	"	4,000,000
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Hongkong, 27th February 1932.

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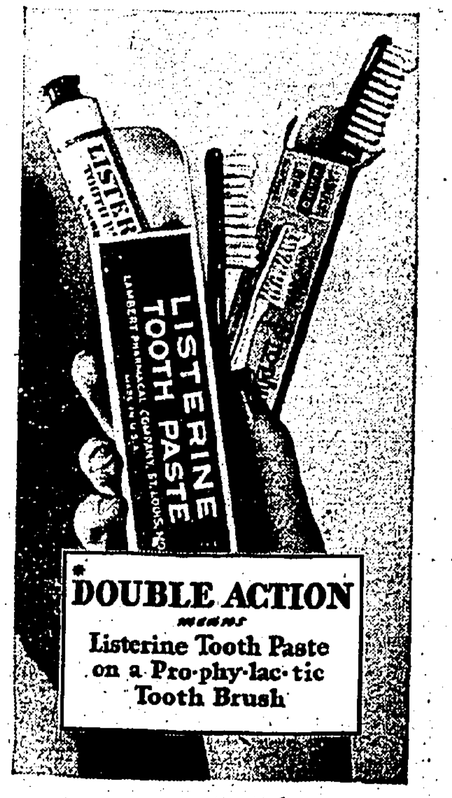
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ST. JOHN'S AMBULANCE APPRECIATED.

Mr. Brown, the Shanghai representative of the Geneva Red Cross International, has telegraphed from Shanghai to Mr. A. Morris, the assistant Commissioner of the St. John Ambulance Brigade, Hongkong Branch, informing him that the Hongkong members of the Brigade who are visiting Shanghai in connexion with the provision of medical relief to the wounded have performed splendid work, which has been very much appreciated. The Hongkong members have astonished the Shanghai community by their efficient work in assisting the Chinese Red Cross in dealing with a most difficult situation.

Departure Postponed.

Another batch of Chinese nurses was to have left for Shanghai during the week-end following on the example set by the members of the St. John's Ambulance, but their departure was postponed in the last minute when the officials of the Hongkong Branch of the China National Medical Association received a telegram from Shanghai informing them that owing to the change in the situation the services of the nurses could be dispensed with for the present.

The Shanghai medical officials must have been inspired by the peace negotiations.

The Relief Funds.

The Directors of the Tung Wah Hospital have announced that due to the untiring support of other Chinese institutions the Tung Wah fund has met with an excellent response and another $50,000 has been remitted to the Cantonese Club (Kwong Shiu Kung Sor) in Shanghai, for distribution, making the total contribution from the Tung Wah Hospital to $250,000.

Chung Sing Association.

Members of the Chung Sing Chinese Charity Association have been visiting the leading Chinese restaurants and amusement resorts at night and firms in the day for more contributions for the relief of Shanghai distress. Many substantial subscriptions were obtained during the last few nights from patrons of restaurants in West Point.

Big Charity Concert.

Under the distinguished patronage of Messrs. Li Yau-tsun, C.B.E., and Chan Lim-pak, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Tung Wah Hospital, leading Chinese merchants have organised a big charity concert at the Kau Yu Fong Theatre, which will open to-day and will be continued until Sunday. Over 100 Chinese professional actors and actresses and other amateur musical players have been invited to participate.

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from the Council is strictly prohibited.

Mr. Farmer:—I take it that the Council will take steps to get rid of unregistered dogs?

Mr. Knott:—There have been several cases and these have been dealt with. Owners have even been fined.

Resolutions 9 & 10 were then put to the meeting and carried.

Chairman:—Before we conclude I should like to propose a very hearty vote of thanks to the Chairman and the other Members of the Council during the past year for their services.

Mr. Hoffmeister:—I second the resolution.

The resolution was carried.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

Mr. H. Phillips presided over representatives of the following business houses, organisations and associations:—Asiatic Petroleum Co. (SC) Ltd. 3 votes, Batchelor, R. K. 1, Brameld T. 1, British Consul-General 10, British Consul-General Anglican Church Trustee 1, British Consul Russian Consulate 1, British Consul 1, British Vice-Consul 1, British Vice-Consul 1, Canton Club Trustees 3, Carey, P. T. 1, Chartered Bank of I., A. & China 2, China Navigation Co., Ltd. 2, Chinese Maritime Customs 13, Deacon & Co. Ltd. 1, Deacon Estate Co. 1, Dent & Co., Ltd. H. 1, Dodwell & Co., Ltd. 2, Farmer, Wm 2, Fuji Paper Co., Ltd. 1, Griffith, T. E. 2, Griffith, Ltd., T. E. 4, Hoffmeister, A. 1, Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corp. 4, Japanese Club 2, Japanese Consul-General 4, Japanese Hospital 1, Japanese Primary School 1, Royal Naval Canteen 1, Shameen Municipal Council 5, Shameen Printing Press 2, Shewan, R. G. 2, Shewan, Tomes & Co. 1, Spalinger, U. 1, Staff Buildings, Ltd. (A. P. Co.) 3, Standard Oil Co. of New York 4, Tavadia, B. C. 1, Tavadia, E. C. 2, Watson & Co., Ltd., A. S. 4, Watson, Chas. E. 1; 95 votes represented.

THREE KINDS OF LOVE.

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King, and Miss King said politely, "Phil's told me a lot about you."

Miss King's escort came along. His name was Mr. Smith—a nice easy name to remember, and he was glad to know everyone, or so he said. He disclaimed all knowledge of things mechanical, but offered to give Phil a tow, if Phil had a rope. Phil had no rope.

Letty said to Phil, "Say, listen, sweetheart-darling . . ." Ann had retreated again to the shadows, so she might have been out of earshot; but Kenneth Smith was right there until he walked back to the sporty sports model and climbed into it.

Phil said, "Never mind that, now, Letty," and she said, "Yes, but I want to tell you—"

Phil said, "Don't go, Ann. Stay here." And Ann kept right on going, and Letty kept hold of Phil's arm.

Kenneth said to Ann, "Some crush over there," as if he were in pain, and Ann said brightly, "Yes, it does seem to be."

Kenneth sighed; Ann did not. Kenneth offered, "She makes me sick, if I do say it. She used to be a swell woman, but since she's gone pash on that sheik she's one wet smack right. Can't see a heavy date; can't see but a coupla dances after dinner; can't see a damn thing but sheiky and trailing him around. I'm fed. I'm bloated. I'm through. I'm not doing bloodbounding for a living. Not yet."

Ann said sweetly and with sympathy that she did not blame him in the least.

Kenneth opened the car door. "Won't you get in and sit down and wait?"

"Thank you," Ann accepted. "I'll get in and sit down," she sank into the wide depth of the seat, "but why wait?"

Kenneth said, after a moment, "I get you. I'd go in a hurry if his damn car wasn't busted down."

"It isn't," said Ann. "It's his damn" (from Ann!) "stubbornness. The car would run well enough to get home if he'd run it instead of listening to it and looking at it. He'll have to, sooner or later. He has a knock in his engine—that's all. They will get home in good order, in time."

"Sure of it?"

"Positive. Listen to his engine. It will run."

"I'm on!" said Kenneth, and reached with a gesture of violence for the clutch, and he and Ann were off.

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For a short time Ann gave herself over completely to the soothing, heart-easing luxury afforded by the absence of piston rods; but presently, when Kenneth had reiterated and told the world for the third time that he was through with, or off of, Letty King for life, she felt sorry for him and said that she hoped she hadn't made trouble for him, and that he was not going to be unhappy.

"Any time!" He said it twice, and added that Letty King gave him a pain in the neck, and invited Ann to call him Ken, or Kenny, or anything she liked but Mr. Smith. He went on to say that he was unaccustomed to taking girls out for an evening and having them go cow-eyed over other men, writing notes and sending them by waiters, and that he had no intentions of accustoming himself to such activities from his girl friends. They could stand him up once, just once; after that he'd show them whether or not he was dizzy.

Ann repeated that she did not blame him.

Unexpectedly Kenneth preferred the suggestion that they park, in a road they would reach in a minute, and take a turn or two at necking.

Ann declined pleasantly, offering by way of apology eccentricity of habit. She had never gone in for that sort of thing.

"One big evening!" Kenneth remarked.

Ann again was sorry.

"No, I didn't mean that," said Kenneth. "I don't go in much for necking myself. Oh, well—of course, I go in for it but I don't get any kick out of it. Never have. Most girls do, though. That's all most girls care about. I just kind of thought it was a shame for you to have your evening wrecked. What a girl like you, so pretty and—and all, can see in a wet smack like that boy friend of Letty's, I don't know, if I do say it."

"I don't either," said Ann.

"He's a cold dish if ever there was one."

"I rather think so, too," said Ann.

"Letty gave me a bum steer then, as usual," he said. "She told me that you were engaged to him, and that he was trying to get out of it and couldn't. I thought she was lying all along, and after I saw you tonight I was certain she was. I'll tell the world you aren't hard to take, after Letty King. Yes, I was certain she was."

Ann was not the one to dispute with a certainty. "What a grand car you have," she said.

"She goes," he said carelessly. "If she won't I have another that will. Same with my speed boats. Got a couple. One to run and one to keep in reserve, in case of accidents or anything."

"How wonderful," said Ann, "always to have something in reserve in case of—accidents."

(To be Continued.)

THE WATER SUPPLY.

ALL RESERVOIRS FAR BELOW OVERFLOW.

The total storage in the Colony's reservoirs on the 1st of the month was 1,506.98 million gallons as compared with 1,371.61 million gallons on March 1 of last year.

Of this total storage 1,140.22 m.g. was in the Island reservoirs and 366.76 in those of Kowloon, as compared with 1,038.79 m.g. in Hongkong and 332.72 in Kowloon on the 1st of the corresponding month last year.

The consumption on the Island for the month was 238.09 m.g. for an estimated population of 382,250, giving a consumption per head per day of 21.5 gallons as compared with a consumption of 201.34 m.g. for an estimated population of 466,520 with a consumption of 15.9 gallons per head per day.

The consumption in Kowloon was 131.47 m.g. for an estimated population of 296,500 giving a consumption of 15.3 per head per day as compared with 117.54 m.g. for an estimated population of 179,140, giving a consumption of 23.4 gallons per head per day in 1931.

The rainfall for the period is given as .87 inch as against 2.53 inches during the same period of last year.

All the Colony's reservoirs except the Shing Mun Reception, Kowloon, are far below overflow.

PEAK HOSPITAL.

TO BE CLOSED AT END OF NEXT MONTH.

With the opening shortly of the War Memorial Nursing Home at Mount Kellet, there will be no further need for the present Peak Hospital, and that institution is to be closed at the end of April. It is possible that the building will be used for apartments.

While the date of the opening of the War Memorial Hospital has not yet been definitely fixed, the equipping of the building is practically complete, and will probably be occupied by next month at the latest. Plans have been definitely made for the closing of the Peak Hospital at the end of April, when it will be returned to its owner, Mr. J. E. Joseph, through whose generosity, the Government has had the use of the building and equipment for the past 10 years, at a peppercorn rental.

Originally built as a residence, the old building was for many years used as such, but later was turned into a hospital. In September, 1922, Mr. Joseph purchased the building and equipment and offered it for use as a hospital to the Government.

Mr. Joseph is at present on leave in England, but it is understood that early in May, the premises will be turned into apartments.

NUDIST MEETING.

GATHERING LAST EVENING FORMS SOCIETY.

The Hongkong nude culture movement was crystallised into being last evening when a meeting of supporters, held at Lane Crawford's restaurant, decided upon the formation of a Hongkong club. At the outset there was an attendance of over forty persons, including six ladies, but when the names of those desirous of joining were called, only twenty-one, including three ladies, answered the call.

Mr. H. E. Lanepart presided, and spoke of the objects of the movement. In answer to a question, he said that he considered that the expenses would not exceed $300 per annum.

The motion "That a Nude Culture Society be formed in Hongkong" was unanimously carried by those present, and at the subsequent enrolment of intending members, twenty-one names were taken. Officials were then appointed.

It was decided to hold further meetings in due course.

THE BANK RATE.

A REDUCTION TO FOUR PER CENT.

London, Mar. 10.

The Bank of England discount rate has been reduced to four per cent.—*Reuter.*

The last change took place on February 18, when the rate was lowered to five per cent. from six per cent, at which it had stood since September 28, when the rate was raised, in connexion with the suspension of the gold standard, from four and a half per cent. to six per cent.—*British Wireless.*



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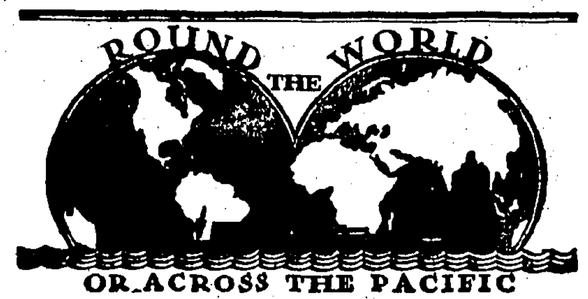
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GAMBLING CASE DISMISSED.

"NO REASON TO DISBELIEVE THE DEFENCE."

The case in which 13 Chinese were charged with a breach of the Gambling Ordinance was concluded at the Kowloon Magistracy before Mr. Fraser yesterday afternoon when his Worship dismissed the case after hearing the case for the defence.

Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith appeared for the Crown, while Mr. G. S. Hugh-Jones was for all defendants.

The defendants were Chan Sang, Lo Ping, Cheung Shing, Tsang Leung, Tsang Fuk, Li Fuk, Wong Tak, Lam Kau, Li Man, Yue Wing, Lau On, Ho Cho-kee and Yau Sui-nam. The first two defendants were charged with keeping a common gaming house, and the rest with gambling in a common gaming house.

At yesterday's proceedings, his Worship decided that there was no evidence to support the charge against the first defendant, but the second defendant would have to disprove the charge.

In the box, the second defendant, Lo Ping, stated he was formerly employed on the Empress of Canada, but was now unemployed. He testified that the first floor of No. 366 Nathan Road was used as a club-house by the Yu Cho Club. On the night of February 17, when Sergeant Edwardes and a Chinese detective raided the premises, some members of the Club were playing *pai kau*. He himself did not take part in the game.

Questioned about a cigarette-tin, which contained money, witness said it was the "kitty," which would have been used to buy a midnight supper at the end of the game. Voluntary contributions were made to this "kitty" from time to time.

Witness stated that the Club was started some years ago, every member having had to pay $100. There was no fixed monthly subscription, but donations had to be made towards the Club's funds.

Chan Sang, the first defendant, testified that he was the unofficial manager of the Club. He corroborated the second defendant's statement that the "kitty" went towards the purchase of a midnight supper.

His Worship, after hearing this evidence, said it would be stretching the law a bit to say that the Yu Cho Club was a common gaming house. He had no reason to disbelieve the evidence of the defence, and it was quite legitimate for members of a club to contribute towards a meal.

His Worship dismissed the case.

CHINESE WOMEN CHRISTIANS.

ANNUAL MEETING OF LOCAL ASSOCIATION.

SHANGHAI RELIEF.

The twelfth anniversary of the Chinese Women's Christian Association of Hongkong was celebrated yesterday at their headquarters, 38-CBonham Road, and was attended by a large gathering.

The meeting was opened with a hymn and prayer, followed by a few opening remarks by the president, Mrs. Ma Wing-chan. In the course of her remarks she said that it was a cause of special thanksgiving that the building in which the Association was now housed was wholly free of debt.

Mrs. Tso Se-fong then read the report of the election of Board Members for the year. The following were elected for a period of three years.—Mrs. Wong Kwok-shuen, Mrs. Wong Tse-chuen, Mrs. Wong Yue-yee, Mrs. Lum Wai and Mrs. Shin Kwai-sang.

On behalf of the Board, Miss Kwok Sheung-man, acting general secretary, gave a report of the work of the Association during the past year.

In the course of the report it was mentioned that a fortnightly religious talk had been the programme, to which all members and friends were invited. The success of such a scheme has been largely due to the splendid co-operation of the different pastors and leaders of local churches. They were indebted to the National Committee for Miss Catherine Vance's visit from Shanghai last spring, which brought helpful messages and suggestions for the development of this branch of work. During Dr. Eddy's visit last autumn there were about 160 girls who decided to fu ther study Christian teaching.

Interest in the educational department has been more varied due to the needs of members. The following classes have been held weekly—Chinese and Western Cooking, Mandarin and piano lessons and instruction on First Aid to the injured. In addition to these classes, some members took interest in monthly discussions and debates on social topics such as Citizenship, World Fellowship, uses and abuses of cosmetics and luxuries, and the problem of White Slavery, etc.

Another piece of fine work under this department has been free night schools for industrial girls in the city. During the past 12 months they had been able to conduct five schools of this kind, with a total attendance of 220.

The wide scope of interest and success of this department is to be credited to the secretary, Miss Li Tuen Yee's thoughtful planning and methodical management.

Physical Department.

With a good sized playground at our disposal on Bonham Road, the report continued, not far from our Association, loaned to us by the Government since last September, we have been able to give our members physical training. Volley Ball, Basket Ball and Tennis have been thoroughly enjoyed and being well organized by our Physical Director, Mrs. Ho Ka-lau.

Our Children's Clinic held every Thursday morning at the Association has been another centre for the gospel of good health. Children come regularly to be examined and weighed and at the end of the term, those who have attained the highest records and have been following instructions most closely, received prizes.

Because of increasing membership from different sections of the city, we felt it wise to change our Social Meetings, which before have been held at the Association, into district meetings held monthly at different members' homes, which really facilitated the acquaintance among members. Whenever fine weather permitted picnics, other forms of out door life or trips to Canton, Chungchow and near by places were arranged and were thoroughly enjoyed. One of the outstanding features is our Dramatic Club, which staged two performances and realized over $3,000 for flood relief.

The "Wah Kwong" Club (Light of China) has a membership of approximately 400 girls under the age of 20 and consists of 12 different clubs, ranging from High Schools (girls from Ying Wah School, St. Stephen's College and St. Paul's School), Middle School (Yeung Chung, Fairlea) to elementary School (Tuan Ching, Lai Yin and Congregational schools). These 400 girls could be regarded as a sub-unit of our Association, having projects and interests as wide and varied as ours, only theirs are more adaptable to their age. Our secretary, Miss Wong Yuk-mui, is to be congratulated for her keen interest in these girls and untiring efforts.

We have at present 880 members, 480 being adults and 400 junior members (students).

Our Hostel has been of great service to students, single ladies and ladies who travel alone. Since the recent influx from Shanghai we have been taxed to our fullest capacity. At present we can accommodate at the most 20 people and many have been turned away much to our regret. It is our greatest desire and hope that as soon as opportunity and finance allow, we may be able to extend our rooming capacity. We owe much to Miss Alice Kwok, our hostel secretary, who takes a motherly interest in these girls.

Employment Bureau.

In view of the fact that the number of women and young girls seek employment and vocational guidance is increasing, an Employment Bureau was organized in our Association some months ago. A number of women of different nationalities have applied to us for occupation and quite a few have been placed in positions. We would commend it to business and professional men and women in Hongkong and ask that they kindly apply to us when needing employees, so that we may make the connexion between positions and applicants.

We should like gratefully to acknowledge the assistance given by the Hongkong Benevolent Society and St. Stephen's Girls' College M.C.L. Fund which has made possible the schooling of two children thereby freeing the mother to accept a position which she very much needed. We owe a great deal to Miss Elliott, who through her untiring efforts has met the needs of many who have come to us.

Our members responded most wholeheartedly and generously towards the relief work in Shanghai. Last September they were busy packing away old clothing to the flood sufferers and altogether we have sent away about 50 bales of clothing. Since the recent trouble in Shanghai there have been First Aid classes held at the Association almost daily, and every afternoon women are seen busy rolling bandages and making Red Cross supplies for use in the Red Cross Hospital in Shanghai.

After having had six years of strenuous work at the Association, our General Secretary, Miss Shin, is now having a year's rest and study. We are fortunate in having Miss Kwok Sheung-man, one of our first Board members, take her place while she is away.

It is with deep regret that we recall the departure of Miss Marion Dudley for America last summer. Miss Dudley has meant much to our Association and to all who came to know her though her time had not been quite three years with us and we hope that she will some day be back in our midst.

Miss Tseng left us last spring for America to study and we are glad that she is happy and getting along well in her college. At present we are having Miss Ho Yin-yin in her place.

We are most sorry to say that our membership secretary, our beloved Mrs. Yung, has been transferred to the National Board in Shanghai and we know that very few can ever take her place.

We are hopeful that a site suitable for our requirements will shortly be forthcoming for work on the mainland, and if this be granted it is our hope, when funds are available to build at least a one storey building which can be added to as the need arises.

Mrs. Wong Tse-chuen, treasurer, next gave a report of the finances for the year.

Dr. Wong Sun-yim, of the Hongkong University, then addressed the gathering on "Women's duty towards the present crisis." In congratulating Miss Kwok on the year's report, he said how glad he was that the local Association had so deeply identified itself with sufferers in the North, and more recently in Shanghai, by generously giving of their time and their gifts for relief. He urged them to still greater efforts in the spirit of the Christian Gospel of self sacrifice, saying that nothing should be too hard to bear for the sake of one's country.

The meeting terminated after Rev. Mr. Yung's benediction, refreshments also being served.

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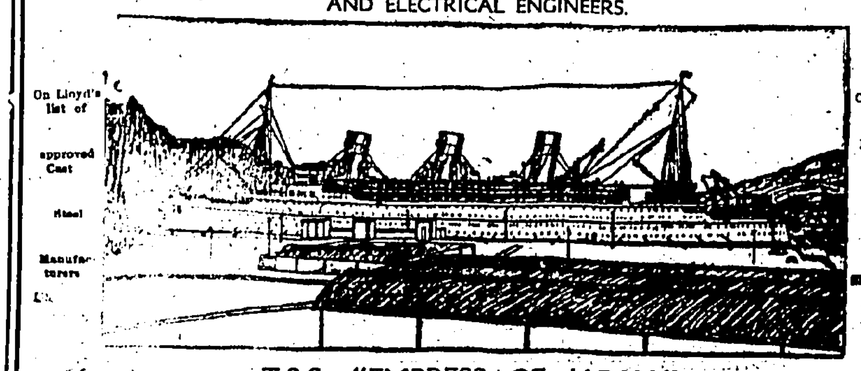
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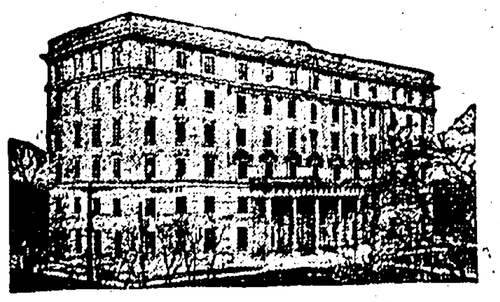
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PACKET THROWN AT THE POPE.

STARTLING INCIDENT IN ST. PETER'S.

Rome, Feb. 12.

During the celebration of the Pope's Coronation anniversary at St. Peter's this morning a man kneeling in front of the Confessional Altar suddenly raised his arm and threw a packet at the Pope, when his Holiness was being borne past at about 20 yards distance.

The packet was evidently light and fell short. It was immediately seized by a Knight of the Cape and Sword, while the man, crying out *Voglio un agrazia*, was pounced on by Pontifical gendarmes and hurried away to the Vatican guard-room.

The packet was believed at the moment to be a petition addressed to the Pope. With the general cheering and music and applause, and with public attention fixed on the Papal procession, the incident, extraordinary as it was, passed almost unnoticed, so quickly was the interrupter snatched from the scene.

It was later reported that the man was a religious fanatic, but his demeanour was calm and collected, and it is alleged in certain quarters that he is a member of the Third International and that the "petition" was a package of Communist propaganda leaflets on Russia.

It is also reported that several members of his family have tonight been arrested.

THE PRESIDENCY OF GERMANY.

WANING ENTHUSIASM FOR HINDENBURG.

Berlin, Mar. 10.

At eighty-four, President Hindenburg is as fit as a fiddle; nevertheless his age is regarded as an objection by many, especially the middleclass electors, who feel that the burden of Government should be carried on younger shoulders.

Significant indications of how the Field Marshal has been deserted by many wartime colleagues are afforded by five retired Generals, whose names are affixed to a manifesto on his behalf, who have repudiated their signatures as forgeries, and declare they would have refused to sign it if asked.

General Ludendorff is not likely to vote either for Hindenburg or for Hitler. His latest grievance is set forth in a telegram to the President, protesting against the restrictions on his political activities.

Support, however, is being extended to Hindenburg by the Prussian Premier Otto Braun, who was Socialist candidate at the last Presidential election, and is now urging his supporters to vote for Hindenburg.—*Reuter.*

TENNIS CHAMPION INJURED.

MISS ENID LO THROWN FROM HORSE.

A serious accident befell Miss Enid Lo, the Hongkong lady tennis champion, yesterday morning, when she was thrown heavily from her horse which she was exercising at the Racecourse, and was rendered unconscious for several hours.

Miss Lo was cantering round the course. When at the two-mile post which marks a rather steep incline, she was thrown from the saddle. She fell heavily on her face, while the horse also slipped down, though apparently it did not kick her.

When Miss Lo was picked up by Mr. G. Harriman, she was found to be unconscious. Her face was severely injured. She was rushed to the French Hospital, where a thorough examination was made by three doctors, who subsequently held out high hopes that there was no fracture. Miss Lo, however, was badly bruised and sustained abrasions to the legs and arms.

It was not until nearly three hours later that she regained consciousness. Mr. M. K. Lo, her brother states that there was every hope that she would make a speedy recovery.

Mr. Horace Lo, another brother, was also at the racecourse, but at the time of the accident, was in the dressing room preparatory to taking a ride.

Miss Enid Lo is one of the most popular sportswomen in Hongkong. In addition to being tennis champion, a title she has held for the last two years, and an Interport player, she is a splendid all-round athlete, and recently, with her brother, gave a public demonstration of ju-jitsu.

The sincerest wishes of a large host of friends will be extended to her for a quick and complete recovery.

COL. LINDBERGH'S BABY SON.

SECRET COMINGS AND GOINGS.

New York, Mar. 10.

Hopes of the early return of Colonel Lindbergh's kidnapped baby son have been encouraged by the departure of Lindbergh's lawyer for a secret destination.

The lawyer asked the police not to follow him. Later he returned and departed again accompanied by a woman.

The plan for the safe return of the kidnapped child is reported to consist of placing the baby in a safe place and the retaining of a piece of the cloth of the child's garments.

When the meeting arranged for the payment of the ransom takes place, the cloth must fit the garment as proof of identity.—*Reuter's Special Service.*

DEPUTIES BREAK ALL RECORDS.

FRENCH CHAMBER SITS DAY AND NIGHT.

Paris, Feb. 12.

All records have been broken by the Chamber in debating the clock round during an almost continuous sitting. Except for short intervals for lunch and dinner the deputies have now been sitting since 8.30 yesterday morning. They are still sitting this evening and will probably continue. Nothing like this endurance has been seen since the continuous dancing contest last year.

To discover a parallel to this it would be necessary to go back to 1870, when it was resolved that the Chamber would sit in permanent session as long as the Prussians were occupying French territory. History does not record, however, whether such heroism was actually practised.

On that occasion it was the safety of France that was at stake. In the present case it is a question of the deputies' seats. This agonising issue with which the Chamber has been obsessed for the last three months was finally decided to-day, when after three weeks of fierce Parliamentary battles, culminating in a twentyhour nonstop contest, the Electoral Reform Bill was finally voted at 1.15 p.m.

Thus ends one of the fiercest struggles in French Parliamentary history. Its result, if confirmed by the Senate, which is doubtful, will be to abolish the second ballot and substitute the English voting system. It will also give the vote and the right to be elected to women. Voting, moreover, will be obligatory.

Premier Quits Banquet.

The severity of the contest can be gauged from the fact that though the debate was theoretically opened at 9 p.m., it was not till 12 hours later, that is at 9 o'clock this morning, that the actual discussion of the Bill began. In the interval every sort of obstruction known to Parliamentary procedure was brought into play by the Opposition.

Informed that the Left were insisting on an adjournment, M. Laval hurried from a banquet which he was attending, and, posing the question of confidence, obtained a majority for the immediate discussion.

The Opposition resisted until shortly before noon to-day, when, headed by M. Herriot, they quitted the Chamber in a solid body, leaving the victorious majority alone on the field of battle in face of empty benches and four indifferent Communists.

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JAPAN GIVEN LAST OPPORTUNITY.

IMPORTANT ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION.

"TIMES" VIEW DIFFERS FROM GENEVA.

London, Mar. 11.

The *Times*, in a leading article regarding the League Assembly's Sino-Japanese resolution, approves its dignity, good sense and moderation, and pays a tribute to Sir John Simon's influence in its preparation.

Sir John Simon was, no doubt, "guided by the British Ambassador in Tokyo, who has firmly withstood the exhortations of those who, in a mood of quite natural moral indignation, would take measures against Japan which could only be interpreted as war."

MEDIATION.

There is no doubt, the *Times* goes on, that the vast bulk of British public opinion strongly approves the principle that the League's function in this case should be mediatorial and not coercive.

What makes it peculiarly unsuitable for League intervention against Japan is firstly, the Japanese Government suffered long provocation before changing from diplomatic to military action, and secondly, China is not an organised State and *cannot even claim to possess the qualifications for League membership laid down by the Mandates Commission!*

STING IN TAIL.

The *Times*, however, does not condone all that Japan has done, commenting that her precipitancy in Shanghai has, to say the least, been most unwise.

Japan's financial strength is being sapped, her sources of credit are running dry and her trade has been disastrously damaged.

In many respects, the Japanese have aggravated the very ills that they set out to cure and they have also forfeited many sympathies.

The wiser course for Japan would be to discard the promptings of the militarist policy and revert to the liberal principles which actuated her adherence to the League Covenant and the Washington Treaties.—*Reuter.*

CONCILIATION—OR SANCTIONS.

Geneva, Mar. 10.

JAPAN IS GIVEN A LAST CHANCE of accepting the League's method for settling the Sino-Japanese dispute in the resolution which is to be submitted to the Assembly.

Failure to comply will, it is understood, entail the automatic application of Article XVI of the League Covenant, with the attendant sanctions, economic boycott etc.

The text of the resolution which is to be placed before the General Committee of the Assembly was circulated to the delegates today and its terms telegraphed by their representatives to the Japanese and Chinese Governments.

The text is of considerable length and is based on the articles of the Covenant and the Paris Pact.

It is divided into four paragraphs, the first laying down that the Assembly recognises that the Covenant can be applied to the present dispute.

The second affirms that it is contrary to the spirit of League Covenant to find or seek solution by military force.

WITHDRAWAL.

The third reads, with the previous resolutions of the Council and the principles which have been laid down, one of the first obligations is the withdrawal of the Japanese forces.

The fourth provides for the establishment of a Commission, including the President of the Assembly, M. Hymans, all members of the Council, except Japan and China, and six from the Assembly, to be elected by ballot.

The general purpose of the Commission will be to supervise and promote the peace negotiations.

REPLY DELAY.

It is generally expected that Japan will accept the drafted resolution, though it is now very doubtful whether the Japanese Government's reply will be received to-morrow.

The resolution is the strongest yet adopted by the League.

LAST CHANCE.

It represents Japan's last chance of accepting conciliatory procedure. If this fails, the Assembly Commission is authorised to submit recommendations, and failure to comply with these recommendations would, it is understood, entail the automatic application of Article Sixteen with attendant sanctions.—*Reuter and British Wireless.*

STOP PRESS.

JAPAN'S DECISION ON LEAGUE RESOLUTION.

Tokyo, Mar. 11, 2.47 p.m.

Replying to the query of the Japanese delegation at Geneva as to what attitude it shall adopt to the Assembly's resolution, it is authoritatively stated that instructions are being sent telling Mr. Sato to refrain from voting, as the resolution indirectly bears on the Manchurian situation.

At the same time, they are asked to clarify the Japanese stand, refusing to agree to the application of Article Fifteen to Manchuria as the League's resolution provides that the question is closed till the receipt of the Report of the Commission, which is sailing from Kobe to Shanghai by the President Adams this afternoon.—*Reuter.*

OFFICIAL TOKYO STATEMENT.

WHOLE POSITION CHANGED.

Tokyo, Mar. 11, 2.46 p.m.

THE POSSIBILITY that Japanese troops will be compelled to remain outside Railway Zone in Manchuria indefinitely, maintaining military control over the Three Eastern Provinces, despite the fact that Japan agreed to the League resolution of September 30, is intimated by official quarters.

The Tokyo Government attitude is that the formation of the new Manchurian State has changed the whole situation, necessitating the retention of Japanese troops for the purpose of assisting to maintain peace and order, at least until the new State has proved its ability to ensure peaceful conditions unaided.—*Reuter.*

NANKING STILL MOBILISING.

NEW DIVISIONS UNDER ORDERS.

Shanghai, Mar. 11.

China continues to mobilise for the Shanghai front. Two divisions under General Liu China, one of Chiang Kai-shek's most trusted leaders, is under orders to proceed to Soochow, and a third division, under General Chang Chi-kiang is awaiting transportation at Chengchow.

Chinese military headquarters announce the receipt of information that Japanese troops attempted to carry the Chinese defence lines at Taichong, but failed.

Japanese aeroplanes have been reconnoitring over Soochow and Quinsan, and although no bombs have been dropped, orders have been given for all lights to be extinguished at night.—*Rensha.*

S. V. C. RELIEF.

Shanghai, Mar. 11, 10.30 a.m.

The Shanghai Volunteer Corps has now been placed upon a precautionary basis, which means that they are required for part-time duties only, enabling them shortly to resume normal civilian work.—*Reuter.*

U. S. TROOPS TO STAY.

Washington, Mar. 10.

The 31st American Infantry Regiment will remain in Shanghai for the present.

The Government has now decided not to order the transfer to Manila immediately.—*Reuter.*

FATAL MOTOR MISHAP.

WOMAN DIES FROM INJURIES.

An unfortunate accident occurred in Nathan Road near Nan Cheong Street yesterday afternoon when a Chinese woman, 56 years of age, was knocked down by private car No. 2,975, driven by Lt. Col. J. H. Thom, D.S.O., R.A. She was taken to the Kowloon Hospital, where she passed away at about 8 a.m. to-day.

It appears that when Col. Thom was near Nan Cheong Street, the woman ran across the road and before he could avoid her, she was knocked down.

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone has passed into the Pacific to the east of Japan. The depression remains over Tongking. Local forecast: East or variable winds, light; cloudy generally; local fog.



A remarkable picture of a fire at Kiangwan Village, also showing Japanese troops mustering for the final attack on the Chinese Centre which resulted in the capture of the stronghold at a cost of over four hundred casualties.

PEACE PROSPECT NOT BRIGHT.

CHINA TAKING FIRM LINE.

(Telegraph Special.)

Shanghai, Mar. 11, 10.19. a.m.

Peace prospects in Shanghai are not very bright at the moment.

The latest reports indicate that there is very little likelihood that the rival authorities will get together for a peace conference today.

In the first place, there appears to be some doubt concerning the exact meaning of the Chinese reservations at Geneva regarding the scope of the proposed conference.

JAPANESE NOT READY.

Secondly, according to an official announcement by the Chinese Foreign Office: "The Japanese are not yet ready to talk."

Incidentally, there is little ambiguity about the Chinese reply to the Japanese overtures of yesterday morning. It is made fairly clear that the Chinese are insisting upon the unconditional withdrawal of the Japanese forces. They are not prepared, at the moment, to accept any dictation regarding the positions to be taken up by the Chinese troops in the event of an armistice.—*Reuter.*

BRITISH GOVERNMENT STATEMENT.

London, Mar. 10.

In the House of Commons today, in reply to questions by Mr. George Lansbury, the leader of the Opposition, Captain Anthony Eden, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, made a lengthy statement outlining the course of the Sino-Japanese peace negotiations.

Captain Eden said it was not clear at present how the unfortunate hitch in the negotiations could be overcome, but the British Government was not only contributing its utmost to assist, but had no desire to complicate the position by introducing extraneous matters.

TIENTSIN THREATS?

Mr. Lansbury referred to the Chinese report that the Japanese intended sending troops to Tientsin and suggested that the British Government should make representations to Japan against the proposed action.

Both Captain Eden and Mr. Stanley Baldwin replied that they had not seen any reference to a proposed Japanese landing at Tientsin.—*Reuter.*



Our photo is that of Mr. Jack Bryant who was found on Wednesday by a "Telegraph" reporter, having been reported missing.

IRISH ELECTION SHOOTING.

EX-R.I.C. MAN SENT TO PRISON.

London, Mar. 11

The shooting of the Irish election candidate, Reynolds, and the detective, McGeehan, last month, had a sequel at the Dublin Assizes yesterday when two concurrent sentences, each of a year's imprisonment, were passed upon Joseph Leddy.

Leddy is a pensioner of the Royal Irish Constabulary and he was charged with murder in each case.

The jury found Leddy guilty of the manslaughter of Reynolds, pleaded guilty to the manslaughter of McGeehan and sentences were passed as above.—*Reuter.*

CHINESE ARREST GENERAL.

Earlier Prisoner of Japanese.

NANKING ORDERS.

(Telegraph Special.)

Shanghai, Mar. 11, 10.19 a.m.

General Wang Ken, the leading figure in the remarkable incident when he was arrested by the Japanese at the Astor House Hotel, has been re-arrested, since his release by the Japanese, by the Chinese authorities.

It will be recalled that Japanese forces entered the Astor House Hotel searching for General Wang Keng, that the General fled into the kitchen only to be held by a Russian cook until the Japanese troops arrived.

The "boys" of the hotel went on strike until the management consented to the dismissal of the Russian cook.

Under Escort.

The announcement of General Wang Keng's arrest by the Chinese authorities has caused much speculation. It is learned that the local authorities acted upon instructions by the Central Government and it is understood that the unfortunate General is now on his way to Nanking under military escort.—*Reuter.*

STIMULUS TO THE TEXTILE TRADE.

BRITISH INDUSTRIES FAIR ORDERS.

(Reuter's Special Services).

London, Mar. 10.

It was announced in the House of Commons by Major Colville, the Secretary for Overseas Trade, today, that 3,839 overseas buyers attended the textile section of the British Industries Fair, as compared with 1,503 last year.

The overseas orders for British textiles as a result of the Fair showed an increase of approximately 100 per cent. over the figures for 1931.

NEW MOVE IN LINDBERGH AFFAIR.

HELPER'S BABIES THREATENED.

New York, Mar. 10.

Nine days have elapsed since the kidnapping of Colonel Lindbergh's baby son and there is still no definite indication that the terribly anxious parents are any nearer the recovery of their child.

Police efforts have failed completely up to the present and attempts to establish direct communication with the kidnappers have brought no result.

A further complication has risen to-day in that Lindbergh's gangster helpers, "Salvey" Spitale and Irving Blitz are both in trouble.

BOOTLEGGING CHARGE.

Spitale and Blitz and fourteen others were brought up in the Federal Court to-day on a charge of smuggling liquor.

Furthermore, the kidnapping of Spitale's two children has been threatened as a reprisal for their father's activities on behalf of Col. Lindbergh.

Meanwhile, Al Capone has appealed to the Federal Government to release him from the penitentiary in order to help in the search for the Lindbergh baby.

"I will do everything in my power to get back the kid," declared "Scarface," who has offered to deposit bound of G$200,000 if he is released.—*Reuter's American Service.*

THE EARL HAIG STATUE.

TO BE ERECTED, WITH HORSE, IN 1934.

(Reuter's Special Service).

London, Mar. 10.

The equestrian statue of Field-Marshal Earl Haig, which has aroused considerable criticism over the design of the horse, will be erected in Whitehall in the summer of 1934, it was announced to-day.

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SHAMEEN'S 1932 BUDGET.

ESTIMATES REVEAL AN INCREASE.

TAXES LOWER.

The annual general meeting of the Shameen Municipal Council was held on Monday, February 29, when the budget estimates for 1932, which amounted to $114,920, were approved.

The meeting of Ratepayers was held in the British Consulate and was presided over by Mr. Herbert Phillips, Consul-General.

The budgeted expenditure for 1932 includes $30,147 for Police Department, $7,600 for Hospital, and $21,434 for Waterworks Running Expenses.

Against this there is an estimated income of $38,391 for House Tax, and the same amount for Land Tax. Water Sales are expected to produce $18,430, and various taxes such as wharfage, godown, and business taxes a total of $7,500. In 1931 the estimates amounted to $111,891, but actually totalled $108,095.

Chairman:—The first business is to confirm the Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting of Ratepayers held on Thursday, February 26th, 1931. These I propose should be taken as read and confirmed. They were printed and circulated soon after that meeting.

This resolution, seconded by Mr. Brameld, was adopted.

Report and Accounts.

Chairman:—The next business is to pass the Report and Accounts for 1931. I will call upon the Chairman of the Council to address you on the subject.

Mr. Hill (Chairman of Council): Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen.

The Municipal Report and Accounts have been in your hands for the prescribed period of fourteen days and require but little comment from me. I would, however, like to make a few additional remarks in connexion with the twelve months under review.

In connexion with Police matters I have much pleasure in stating that your Council have had close co-operation and assistance from the City Police.

The Waterworks were called upon to supply more water than for the previous year and the quality was maintained at its usual high standard of purity, as will be noted from the Medical Officer of Health's report. The plant has been maintained in good repair and condition.

There was no large expenditure in connexion with the Public Works Department. Maintenance work only was dealt with but the Nursing Home was entirely redecorated and all furniture and fittings reconditioned. The Municipal Nursing Home had efficiently dealt with all cases brought in, and our thanks are due to Dr. Lancaster, the Medical Officer of Health. The cost to Ratepayers amounted to $4,771.65 as against $4,795.66 last year, so that we are now still working well below the figure of $6,000 paid annually from the rates for the wards at the Canton Hospital prior to 1925.

Levy to be Discontinued.

With regard to the Accounts I should like to draw your attention to the figures: Overdraft $19,825.06 and Building Reserve Fund $52,500.00. Your Council decided to place a sum of $30,000.00 from the "Building Reserve Fund" account on fixed deposit as from tomorrow, and to place the balance of this Building Reserve Fund account to the Current Account, against the liquidation of the overdraft. By these transactions it is estimated that we shall enjoy a revenue of approximately $900.00 as interest on our Fixed Deposit and Current accounts to the end of the current financial year, and thereby discontinue the annual levy on Ratepayers for payment of interest on the overdraft. The $30,000.00 placed on Fixed Deposit will be termed "General Reserve Fund" as suggested by our Auditors. This reserve will be gradually built up so that should new machinery or buildings become necessary, the Council would be in a position to meet these expenses without borrowing from the Bank.

I should like to take this opportunity of placing on record that the Officers and Staff of the Council discharged their duties to our entire satisfaction throughout the year. I now have pleasure in proposing the adoption of the Report and Accounts for 1931 as presented. After this proposal has been seconded I shall be glad to answer any questions to the best of my ability.

Mr. Knott:—I would like to second that proposal.

Chairman:—Has anybody any questions to put to the Chairman of the Council?

Property Revaluation.

Mr. Quin:—Mr. Chairman, Under the heading "Fire Insurance" I see that the actual expenses for 1930 were $872.50. The actual expenses for 1931 were the same, and it is budgeted for the same amount for next year. May I ask whether that means that in spite of the fall in the value of the Hongkong dollar, the insured value of the properties, has not been revised?

Mr. Hill:—Yes.

Mr. Quin:—If so I should like to recommend that the values of Council property be revised on the present value of the dollar, at 1/6. It seems to me unwise to have your property under-insured.

Mr. Knott:—Was the insurance amount $700 in 1930?

Mr. Quin:—No $872.50, the same as for the past two years.

Mr. Knott:—In 1930 the dollar was round about 2/-.

Mr. Quin:—It is not as well covered now as when the dollar was at 2/-.

Mr. Knott:—You might take into account a certain amount of depreciation in the value of the property.

Mr. Quin:—I do not think firms take that into consideration. I think it wise to be on the right side.

Chairman:—Perhaps it can be left as a point to be considered by the incoming Council?

Left to Council.

Mr. Hill:—Would you like to put this up as a proposal or will you leave it to the incoming Council?

Mr. Quin:—Unless somebody is against it I would like to hear the views of the meeting.

Mr. Campbell:—Would it not be a good thing to have the property revalued?

Mr. Quin.—It would cost money.

Mr. Hill:—What is your idea? Do you suggest that it be left to the incoming Council or would you like to bring it forward as a proposal?

Mr. Quin:—I should like to bring it forward as a proposal.

Mr. Campbell:—I should like to second Mr. Quin's proposal.

Mr. Hill:—You should have given notice.

Mr. Quin:—I shall leave it then to the incoming Council.

The resolution was then put to the meeting and carried.

Budget Estimates.

Chairman:—I will now ask the Chairman of the Council to propose the next resolution on the Agenda, the Budget Estimates for 1932.

Mr. Hill:—Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen, The Budget Estimates are printed on pages 8 and 9 of the Report, and as usual, have received the unofficial approval of the Auditors. I have already explained the Council's decision regarding the liquidation of the overdraft and the placing of $30,000.00 on Fixed Deposit as a "General Reserve Fund" against contingencies and trust Ratepayers will approve of this action on their behalf. Other items shown are for the usual requirements of the Concession with the exception of allowance to the Director of Public Works and Secretary. This allowance is for Travelling Expenses for leave to England, which is granted approximately every five years in accordance with his Agreement. The rates of taxes are practically the same as, in fact slightly lower than, last year, which I think is very satisfactory. There is no other point I would like to emphasise and, therefore, now beg to propose the adoption of the Budget Estimates for 1932 as presented and also, with your permission, including Resolutions Nos. 1 & 2 which deal with House and Land Taxes, on account of the fact that there are no alternative resolutions to put to the Meeting.

Mr. Hollyer:—I would like to second that the Budget Estimates be passed together with Resolutions 1 & 2 as printed in the Report.

The resolutions were carried.

Election of Council.

Chairman:—The next business is to elect not more than five duly qualified Ratepayers to serve on the Council for 1932. The names of five Ratepayers were duly proposed in January and posted on the official Notice Board in this Consulate-General. The names are:—J. B. Harrison, E. R. Hill, W. G. Hollyer, A. E. Quin, V. P. Waters.

There being no other names proposed I hereby declare these gentlemen duly elected as members of the Council for 1932. I will now ask the Chairman of the Council to proceed to put the other resolutions as printed.

Mr. Hill:—Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen, with your permission I should like to propose that Resolutions 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, & 8 are taken collectively. There is no change and these were adopted last year.

Resolutions 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 & 8 proposed by Mr. Hill and seconded by Mr. Mackintosh were carried.

Too Many Dogs.

Mr. Hill:—I would also propose that Resolutions 9 & 10 be taken together. I think you will all agree that there are far too many dogs on the island and the alarming thing is the rapidity with which the numbers increase. Your Council feel that some action should be taken to reduce the numbers. We, therefore, hope that resolution 9 will be carried which would mean that owners of two dogs will have to pay $60 against the present tax of $30 and owners of three dogs $160 instead of $50.

As regards Resolution 10 the present Bye-law states that no Chinese dogs are allowed on the concession. We now wish this Bye-law to read "'Chows', Alsatians and dogs of kindred breed are not allowed on the Concession and may not be registered".

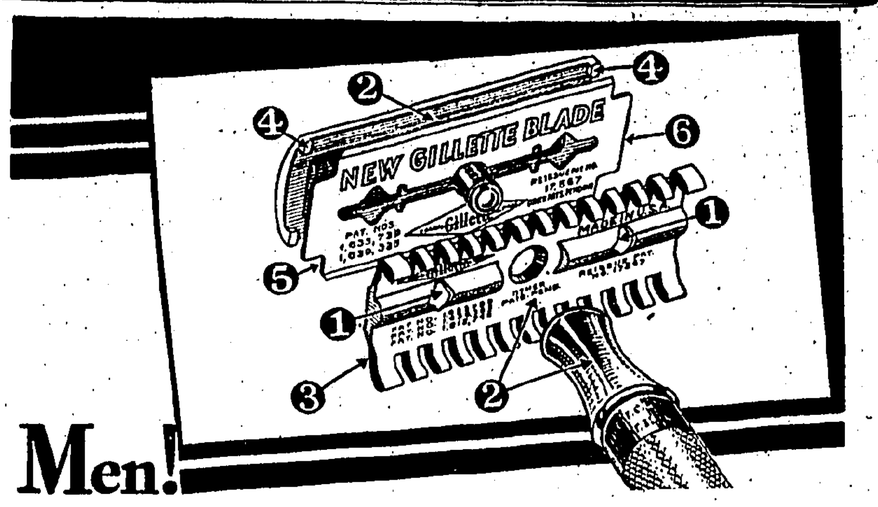
Mr. Knott:—I am very pleased to second that Resolutions 9 and 10 be passed.

Mr. Farmer:—Mr. Chairman, may I ask whether there is any provision in the present Land Regulations or Bye Laws with regard to unregistered dogs?

Unregistered Dogs Barred.

Chairman:—This point would seem to come under Regulation 31 which states that the importation of dogs into the Concession without special permission in writing

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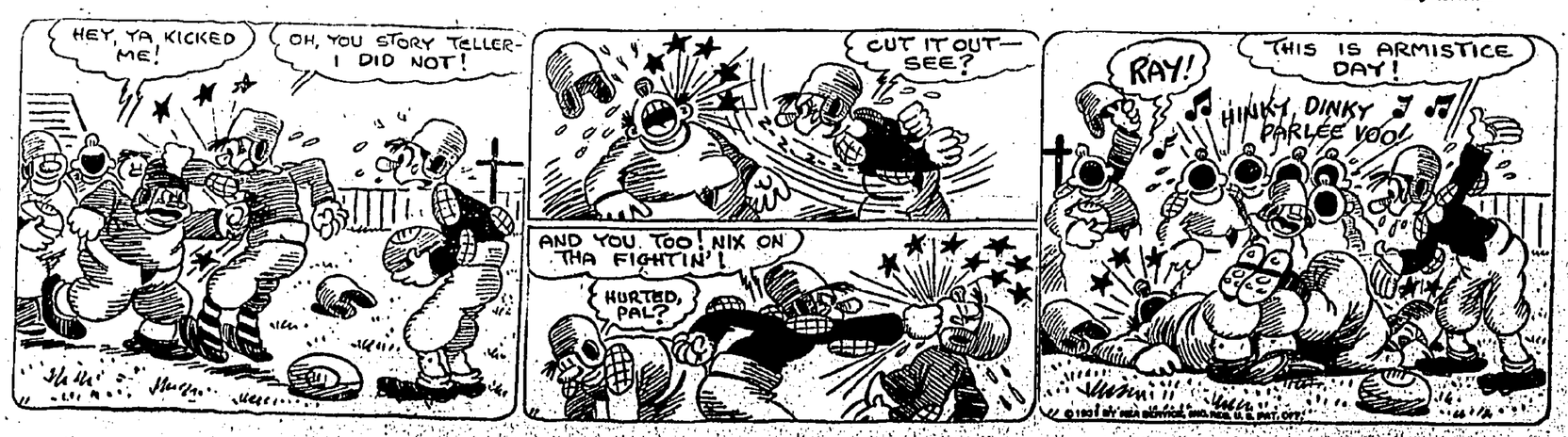


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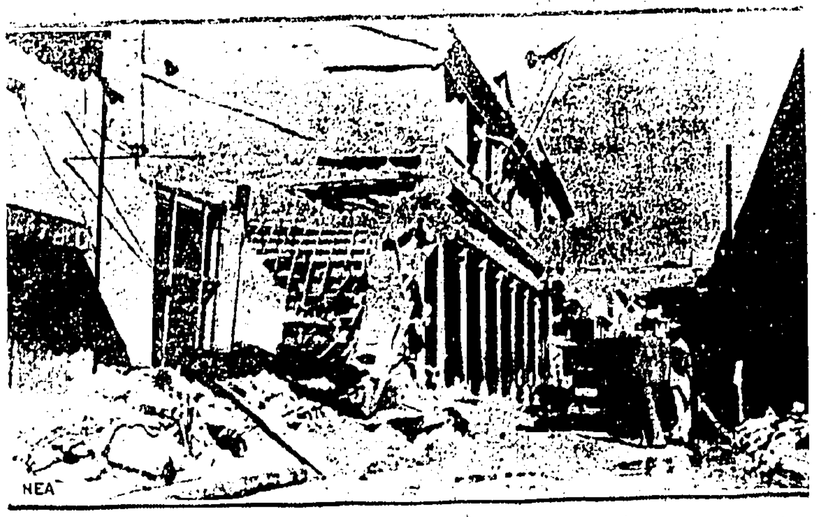
31ST INFANTRY REGIMENT ON PARADE: SANTIAGO DE CUBA EARTHQUAKE.



The 31st infantry regiment, whose withdrawal to Manila is mooted, are shown here during a regimental parade in Manila, under command of Colonel Lorenzo D. Gasser.



Japanese look-out on the roof of the Toka cotton mill at Shanghai.



This picture, rushed from Santiago, shows some of the destruction wrought by the earthquake in that Cuban city recently. Note how the building in the foreground has been wrecked.



This picture shows South Gate Main street within the Nanking walls, jammed with natives and autos during the recent gunboat shelling panic.



Japanese marines bringing stores up to their headquarters in North Szechuen Road.



This fluffy kitten, La Mer Faybeth, Jr., is purring about its mother's honours in winning this coveted cup at the Kansas National Livestock show at Wichita.



Miss Margaret Aline Bording, above, of London, competing in a recent carnival at Nice, carried off first prize for beauty.

THREE KINDS of LOVE

by KAY CLEAVER STRAHAN

BEGIN HERE TODAY

Ann, Cecily and Mary Frances Fenwick live with their grandparents. The sisters have been orphaned since childhood. The grandparents—known as "Rosalie" and "Grant"—have long since lost their wealth and the household is supported by Ann's and Cecily's earnings. For this reason, Ann, 28, and Philip Ecroyd, young lawyer, are still postponing their marriage though they have been engaged 5 years.

Cecily, 27, is in love with Barry McKeel, an engineer, but when he proposes she refuses to name the wedding date because she cannot leave Ann with the financial responsibility of the home.

Mary-Frances, 16, and still in school, strikes up an acquaintance with Earl De Armount, stock company actor. She meets him secretly on several occasions. Mary-Frances has led him to believe she is 18 years old. He tries to persuade her to become his partner in a vaudeville act.

Phil takes Ann to dinner and a girl she has never seen before sends him a note which he burns. Phil's explanations are vague and Ann decides to go home. On the way trouble develops with the car and Phil stops to investigate.

CHAPTER XXVII

Ann did not need to listen; so she breathed a smallish, confused prayer to the gods of garage men that this particular knock in Phil's automobile might emanate from some source, any source, other than clogged piston rods. Phil's responses to that special species of knock were invariable. He began by diagnosing the disease as fatal, since one mechanic named Jake Lucca had left town, and went frantically on from there.

His procedure was to drive the car for a few hundred yards and stop it, and leap out, and open the hood, and peer despairingly into the insides of the thing, and with an air of suppressing much prophecy that this was the end. Usually, since there was nothing else to be done, he would get into the car again, and start it with difficulty, and go for a few hundred yards more before he leaped out and lifted the hood, and peered, and so on.

Cars, Ann had learned, suffering from this malady are moody, hysterical things; they will knock like a woodpecker and then, once in a while, they will stop and refuse to go another step until, after a short rest, they will pick up with a spurt and stop knocking and pretend that nothing has ever been the matter with them.

If a garage is in sight they will recover completely—cars with diseased piston rods dread garages—until the place has been left miles behind. Then, worn out with the extra exertion of simulating strength where there were only weakness and courage, they will break down for a time and refuse to budge. Ann knew her piston rods. But Phil was a proud man, and thrifty, and to drive a seemingly healthy car into a garage, and to subject himself, or his patient, to a charge of neuroticism and four or five dollars, was a performance in which he would take no part. So they always flashed by the garages and broke down in some lonely spot on the highway. And then Phil would leap out, talking about Jake Lucca, and open the hood and peer. . . . Stronger women than Ann have gone to pieces with less provocation than that afforded by piston rods.

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Conversation during calamity is heartless and footless, crippled and offensive, so Ann had long since ceased attempting it. They rode in silence, except for the knock. Phil had his head cocked to one side so that never a vibration of sound should escape him, and Ann had ever so much time to think about the girl who wrote notes that needed to be burned at once, and Phil's night work of late, and the hard, bright antagonism in the girl's eyes.

They had passed a garage in a small town, five miles back, so a relapse was due, and it came, scheduled precisely, on a deserted stretch of road. Phil leaped out; this made the ninth or 10th time within the hour. Ann, too, got out of the car—she usually did so: it seemed more helpful.

Phil lifted the hood and looked at the engine. Ann stood and watched the lights of an oncoming automobile growing larger and larger. She found no encouragement in the fact of its approach. Another of Phil's conventions concerning piston rods was a refusal to ask for aid from other motorists. Jake Lucca alone, in a world full of men, could repair piston rods, and Jake was leagues upon leagues away.

The lights grew larger still, and dangerous seeming, and Ann stepped out of the glare just as the car—the sportiest sort of sports model—slowed and stopped, and a girl's voice called, "Hey, hey, Phil! Some more trouble!"

Phil had started the engine and had his ear to its breast so that he could hear the knocks. Ann receded farther into the shadows.

Letty stepped from the car, and crossed to Phil, and said, her childish voice raised high above the groans of the engine, "What is it, old dear? Piston rods again?"

Phil lifted his head, but he did not come back to a complete consciousness of the outside world—a heartless, knockless world where piston rods were of secondary importance. A voice that he knew had greeted him, and he returned the greeting abstractedly.

"Hello, Letty," he said to Miss King, whose first name he was unsure of, could not really remember.

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Letty's next remark addressed to Ann in the shadows and made with one hand on Phil's arm, was, "Doesn't the poor darling have the foulest times with his old piston rods?"

Ann came forth and was introduced as Miss Fenwick to Miss

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

NOTICE.

Sailing for the Scandinavian Trophy will take place on Sunday, the 13th March. Members are advised that Tiffin will be served in the Clubhouse at 1 p.m. and a launch will be available in the afternoon for Members and their friends who wish to follow the racing. Will those wishing to take tiffin at the Club please notify the Hon. Secretary as soon as possible.

R. J. VERNALL,
Hon. Secretary.

ST. PATRICKS SOCIETY OF HONGKONG.

Practice dances will be held in the Helena May Institute on Friday, March 11th, and on Monday, March 14th, at 5.15 p.m. Members and friends are asked to attend these practices.

G. P. MURPHY,
P. T. MAHONY,
Joint Hon. Secretaries.

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the THIRTY-FIFTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held in the Company's Board Room, 3rd Floor, Exchange Building, Hong Kong, on Thursday, 24th March, 1932, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1931, electing Directors and Auditors, and for the transaction of any other Ordinary business of the Company.

NOTICE is also hereby given that the TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from Monday, 14th March, 1932, until Thursday, 24th March, 1932, both days inclusive, during which period no transfers of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board,

D. L. KING,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 5th March, 1932.

CHINA ENTERTAINMENT & LAND INVESTMENT CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SECOND ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Registered Offices of the Company, King's Theatre Building, 5th Floor, on Wednesday, the 23rd day of March, 1932, at 12 Noon to receive the Directors' Report and Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1931, to elect Auditors, and to transact such other business as may be properly transacted at an Ordinary General Meeting of the Company.

And Notice is further hereby given that the Register and Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 14th to the 23rd day of March, 1932, both days inclusive.

LIANG CHI HAO,
Managing Director.
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1932.

CHINA ENTERTAINMENT & LAND INVESTMENT CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the China Entertainment & Land Investment Co., Ltd., will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, King's Theatre Building, 5th Floor, at 12.15 p.m. on Wednesday, the 23rd day of March 1932, for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, passing the following Resolution:—

That there shall be added to Article 71 of the Articles of Association of the Company the words:—

"but the Chairman shall receive double remuneration."

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the China Entertainment & Land Investment Co., Ltd., will be held at 12 o'clock noon on Wednesday, the 13th day of April 1932, for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings at the above-mentioned Meeting and of confirming, if thought fit, as a Special Resolution the abovementioned Resolution.

Dated this second day of March 1932.

LIANG CHI HAO,
Managing Director.

MACAO RACES
The Macao Jockey Club.

SPRING RACE MEETING
SUNDAY, 13TH MARCH, 1932.

There will be 7 Races.
The Macao Derby is the THIRD RACE.
The Races will commence promptly at 1.30 p.m.
ADMISSION:
Non-Members to Members' Enclosure $2
Public Enclosure Costs 40.
Members MUST show their Badges (1932 season) to gain admittance.
Each Member can obtain 2 Ladies Badges free on application to the Secretary.
Tiffin, tea and refreshments will be obtainable at the Race Course.

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Forty-eighth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on Wednesday, the 30th March, 1932, at 11.30 o'clock a.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December 1931, and to transact the ordinary business of the Company.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Saturday, 19th March, 1932, until Wednesday, 30th March, 1932, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1932.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Sixty-third Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Wednesday, the 30th March, 1932, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1931.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 16th to the 30th March, 1932, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LIMITED.
General Managers,
The Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Ltd.
Hongkong, 9th March, 1932.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the 43rd Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the Company, Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on Thursday, the 31st day of March, 1932, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1931.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Saturday, 12th March, 1932, to Thursday, 31st March, 1932, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,

ALLAN KEITH,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1932.

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Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 10th March, 1932.

HONG KONG CLUB

NOTICE.

The Fourth Yearly Drawing of 20 Debentures (1928 issue $500. each) of the Hong Kong Club, Payable on Friday, the 30th September, 1932, will be held in the Club House, at 11 o'clock, a.m., on Thursday, the 17th March, 1932.

Bearers of Debentures are invited to attend the Drawing.

By order,

T. A. ROBERTSON,
Lieut. Col.,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 8th March, 1932.

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FANLING GOLF.

STARTING TIMES FOR SUNDAY.

New Course.
9.28 Mrs. J. D. Kinnaird, Mrs. T. Morrison.
9.36 G. T. May, L. A. R. Duncan.
9.44 M. W. M. Dulley, P. L. Leefe.
Old Course.
9.08 R. H. Law, J. B. Lanyon.
9.16 E. J. Dowley, E. H. Dowler.
9.20 Not to be booked by travellers on 8.28 train.
9.24 K. S. Robertson, D. S. Edward.
9.28 N. K. Littlejohn, G. H. Bond.
9.32 A. C. I. Bowker, J. R. Collis.
9.36 G. C. Leiper, H. M. Muir.
9.40 J. P. Sherry, J. C. Campbell.
9.44 G. C. Worrall, R. C. Webb.
9.48 Lt. Col. Robertson, Capt. Giddy.
9.52 E. H. Williams, L. R. Andrews.
9.56 A. O. Brawn, J. S. Dykes.
10.00 R. Brown, Lt. Comdr. McBean.
10.04 W. C. Shields, A. D. Humphreys.
10.08 R. A. Rodgers, J. Mandracchia.
10.12 P. Watkinson, C. C. Johnson.
10.16 T. S. Grant, H. N. Williamson.
10.20 C. W. F. Booker, S. Mulcahy.
10.24 G. W. Sewell, G. F. Hole.
10.28 F. Syme Thomson, J. W. Alabaster.
10.32 G. R. Horridge, W. D. Denham.
10.36 C. Blaker, P. S. Cassidy.
10.40 F. M. Ellis, S. S. Perry.
10.44 J. D. Kinnaird, T. S. Morrison.
10.48 E. Kern, B. J. Lacon.
10.52 H. Hampton, H. Lowe.
10.56 F. A. Redmond, E. des Voeux.
11.00 J. Coulthart, D. S. Robb.
11.04 D. M. Richards, H. G. Wellington.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

OFFICIAL SUMMARY BY STOCK EXCHANGE.

The opening session this morning was quite uninteresting, the market being extremely dull and rates more or less nominal.

Sales.
Hongkong Banks $1465.
Hongkong Lands $74/74½.
Shanghai Lands Tls. 26.
Hongkong Trams $20¾.
Buyers.
Wharves $144½ X. Div.
Providents (Old) $4.90.
Providents (New), $2¾.
Hotels (Old) $13.75.
Hotels (New) $13.45.
Hongkong Lands $74.
Realties $9½.
Chinese Estates $95.
Hongkong Trams $20¾.
Electrics $73½.
Canton Ices $5.
Cements (New) $5.
Dairy Farms $28½.
Watsons $15½.
Amusements $19.90.
Constructions (New) $1.75.
Govt. Loans 4% Premium.
Sellers.
Docks $29.
Shanghai Lands Tls. 27.
Humphreys $18.
China Lights (Old) $21.
Malabon Sugars $22.
Watsons $16.
Constructions (Old) $5.35.

THE DANUBIAN COUNTRIES.

ECONOMIC FUTURE DISCUSSED.

London, Mar. 10.

Answering a House of Commons question to-day, the Foreign Under-Secretary, Captain Eden, stated that some weeks ago the British Government initiated a preliminary exchange of views between the Great Powers on the economic restoration of the Danubian countries.

Owing to material difficulties of arranging simultaneous meetings at Geneva between the representatives of these Powers, it has been impossible as yet to carry the discussion to a point where any announcement could be made by the British Government in regard to any plan of action, but it was the intention of the Foreign Secretary to pursue the matter in collaboration with the other Governments concerned.—*British Wireless.*

MORE LIBERIAN PERSECUTION.

BRITAIN JOINS IN PROTEST.

London, Mar. 10.

The British Charge d'Affaires at Monrovia, in company with other foreign representatives, addressed on March 7th urgent representations to the Liberian Government in connexion with reports of the continued persecution of the Kru Kru population by Government forces, adding that the representations will be communicated to the Liberia Committee of the League of Nations.—*British Wireless.*

A wreath will be laid on the Cenotaph by Colonel C. D. Myles, O.B.E., President of St. Patrick's Society of Hongkong at 9.15 a.m. on the 17th instant.

POST OFFICE NOTICE

Information has been received that the Siberian route is uninterrupted and the service by this route will accordingly be resumed forthwith.

The Public are, however, warned that, as this Service is somewhat precarious and still liable to suspension without notice, letters will only be accepted at senders' risks. In the event of the service being again suspended all letters will be forwarded via Suez.

Letters and postcards for Europe and South America are forwarded "Via Siberia" if so superscribed.

It is notified for the information of holders of Private Boxes at the General Post Office that on and after 1st February no taxed correspondence will be placed in the Boxes. A notification will be substituted and Boxholders are requested to call or send for the correspondence at the Boxholders' Lobby and there pay the amount of the Tax against the delivery of the letters or packets.

The Parcel Post Service to Shanghai and North China is fully resumed as from to-day.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due
Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London, 18th Feb.)	Carthage	March 11.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle, 20th Feb.)	Pres. Jefferson (Ship due at 9 p.m., 11th inst.)	March 12.
Shanghai and Swatow	Suiyang	March 12.
Shanghai, Amoy and Europe via Siberia (London, 22nd February)	Tjisadane	March 13.
Shanghai	Conte Rosso	March 13.
Manila	Pres. Coolidge	March 14.
Japan	Rakuyo Maru	March 14
Japan and Shanghai	Andre Lebon	March 15.
Straits	Cremer	March 15.
Batavia	Tjinegara	March 16.
Saigon	General Metzinger	March 16.
Calcutta and Straits	Suisang	March 16.
Australia and Manila	Kamo Maru	March 17.
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., 27th February)	Empress of Asia	March 17.
Straits	Hakone Maru	March 18.
Japan	Katori Maru	March 18.
Japan	Tatsuta Maru	March 19.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 19th February)	Pres. Adams	March 19.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date and Time.
Saigon	Wongshekkung	Fri., Mar. 11, 3.30 p.m.
Samshui and Wuchow	Tai Ming	Fri., Mar. 11, 4 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Carthage K.P.O. Parcels, Mar. 11, 4.30 p.m. Reg., Mar. 12, 9 a.m. Letters, Mar. 12, 10 a.m. G.P.O. Parcels, Mar. 11, 5 p.m. Reg., Mar. 12, 9.45 a.m. Letters, Mar. 12, 10.30 a.m. (Due Marseilles, 8th April)	Sat., Mar. 12.
Australia (except places North of Brisbane) and New Zealand via Singapore and Brisbane	Carthage (Connecting with Nieuw Holland at Singapore) Reg., Mar. 12, 9.15 a.m. Letters, Mar. 12, 10 a.m. (Due Brisbane, 2nd April)	Sat., Mar. 12.
Bangkok	Bintang	Sat., Mar. 12, 1.30 p.m.
Amoy	Chusan	Sat., Mar. 12, 3.30 p.m.
Saigon	Halvard	Sat., Mar. 12, 4.30 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Jefferson	Sat., Mar. 12, 4.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Brindisi	Conte Rosso K.P.O. Reg., Mar. 12, 3 p.m. Letters Mar. 12, 4.30 p.m. G.P.O. Reg., Mar. 12, 4.15 p.m. Letters Mar. 12, 5 p.m. (Due Brindisi, 3rd April)	Sat., Mar. 12.
Sandakan	Hinsang	Sun., Mar. 13, 8.30 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Kiangsu	Sun., Mar. 13, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Canton Maru	Sun., Mar. 13, 9 a.m.
Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and *Europe via Vancouver B.C.,	Empress of Japan Parcels, Mar. 14, 3 p.m. Reg., Mar. 14, 4.15 p.m. Letters, Mar. 14, 5 p.m. (Due Vancouver B.C., 2nd April)	Mon., Mar. 14.
Shanghai and *Europe via Siberia	Empress of Japan Reg., Mar. 14, 5 p.m. Letters Mar. 14, 6 p.m.	Mon., Mar. 14.
Manila, Makasser and Sourabaya	Tjisadane	Tues., Mar. 15, 9.30 a.m.
Fort Bayard, Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Tonkin	Tues., Mar. 15, Noon.
Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, *Egypt and *Europe via Marseilles	Andre Lebon K. P. O. Registration 1 p.m. Letters 1 p.m. G. P. O. Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m. (Due Marseilles, 15th April).	Tues., Mar. 15.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning	Tues., Mar. 15, 2 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., *Canada, Central and South America and *Europe via San Francisco and *Europe via Siberia	Pres. Coolidge Parcels, Mar. 15, 3 p.m. Reg., Mar. 15, 3.45 p.m. Letters, Mar. 15, 4.30 p.m. (Due San Francisco, 5th April)	Tues., Mar. 15.
Swatow	Foochsing	Tues., Mar. 15, 5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Sarpedon K.P.O. Registration 16th 9 a.m. Letters 16th 10 a.m. G.P.O. Registration 16th 9.45 a.m. Letters 16th 10.30 a.m. (Due Marseilles, 14th April).	Wed., Mar. 16.
Japan, Honolulu and *South American Ports	Rakuyo Maru	Thur., Mar. 17, 10.30 a.m.
Manila	Emp. of Asia	Thur., Mar. 17, 5 p.m.
Japan	Kamo Maru	Fri., Mar. 18, 9.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiyang	Fri., Mar. 18, 1 p.m.
Japan	Hakone Maru	Fri., Mar. 18, 3.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Katori Maru K.P.O. Reg., Mar. 18, 4.30 p.m. Letters, Mar. 19, 9 a.m. G.P.O. Reg., Mar. 19, 8.45 a.m. Letters, Mar. 19, 9.30 a.m. (Due Marseilles, 17th April)	Sat., Mar. 19.

*Superscribed Correspondence only.

LIFE IN RUSSIA.

WAVE OF OPPRESSION REPORTED.

Riga, Mar. 10.

Reports tell of a new wave of arrests in Russia.

Moscow and other towns, especially in the Ukraine, are honeycombed with police activity. The Ogpu is arresting non-proletarians, especially former nepmen and others whose source of income is not apparent.

The Ogpu is prepared to release the prisoners provided they pay a large ransom. Those unable or unwilling to pay remain in prison till their relatives raise the money; or else are charged with vague crimes such as speculation undermining the financial stability of the Soviets.—*Reuter.*





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WOMEN'S WORLD

FOR OUR LADY READERS.



Informal Party Gowns Identified by Sleeves and Contrasting Colour.

[By Joan Savoy.]

FANCY decolletages make the evening gown what it is this season. But it's the kind of sleeves you have that distinguishes your informal party dresses.

It has turned out to be a great season for little sleeves. They come puffed or perky, ruffled or plain, flaring or tight. But come they must if you want to tell the world that you know this is either the dinner hour or that the party never was meant to be formal.

There is another thing or two about the correct informal party dress. It has to have some contrast to it. You can pick a dark colour with a bright metal or gay coloured trim. Or you can be contrary and have a light dress with dark little sleeves and something or other in the way of yoke treatment. Or you can have some glitter about it. It's more than stylish.

If you are one of the lovely women who feel best in white, and if you add to that a passion for a bit of glamour; here is a new dinner dress made with you in mind.

It is of soft white-crepe Elizabeth and remember that the sheer crepes are having their innings just now, trimmed with silver paillettes. The sleeves look like capes but are sleeves cut right from the neckline and are heavily bordered in the silver. The neckline is cowl in front and cowl in the back. There is a belt of the silver, too, and those silver touches succeed in being quite the nicest adornament this particular white crepe could possibly have.

YOUR HEALTH.

Importance of the Food You Eat.

That the human body is constantly undergoing change is a fact that is now generally realised. Bone, tissue, muscle, etc. are being worn out, removed and replaced continually. This replacement of substance is effected by the food we eat, and it therefore becomes a matter of some importance to consider the question of eating from a rational point of view.

It must be admitted that very many people to-day eat mainly for the sake of gratifying their sense of taste. They have apparently forgotten that the real and only reason for taking food is to nourish and sustain the body, and that the tongue is intended by Nature to be merely a sentinel whose duty it is to guard the stomach against food that is obnoxious or harmful to the system.

Again, the ease with which food may be obtained, and the never-ending variety offered to man for his selection have tempted him into indulgences that would have been impossible in primitive times. Although over-indulgence in eating is by no means a modern evil, yet the multiplicity of foods procurable nowadays has given an impetus to this harmful habit, as have the cunning methods of preparation devised by the modern cook.

It is a very great mistake to suppose that it is necessary to eat a large quantity of food in order to maintain health and strength. The system needs only sufficient nourishment to replace the waste that has taken place, and food taken in excess of such requirements, being only partially digested, acts as a poison, and unduly taxes the system in its endeavour to dispose of the unnecessary waste.

When to Eat.

Hunger is the natural expression of the needs of the body for nutrition, and is a sure indication of when and how much to eat. To eat beyond the point where hunger has been satisfied is to tax the stomach and digestive organs beyond their capacity, and an outraged stomach will not remain quiescent always: sooner or later Nature exacts the penalty.

But people may, and do, continually do violence to that long-suffering organ, the stomach, without being gluttons. I refer to the habit of bolting the food without properly masticating it. So long as this harmful habit is persisted in, and the equally harmful one of swallowing large quantities of liquids at meals, just so long will such people suffer from a disordered stomach and all its attendant ills.

What to eat, when to eat, and how to eat are, indeed, questions that involve the health and happiness of humanity to a far greater extent than is generally realised. So many people imagine that to take the slightest care in these matters is to become a crank. This is no question of "crankiness" at all, but one of ordinary common sense and of doing the right thing by that marvellously intricate piece of workmanship—the human body.

In any case, better to be thought a crank than to suffer all the pains and penalties of an abused digestive tract.

WINIFRED SYKES *In Exchange.*

HOCKEY HINTS.

To be really good at hockey you must concentrate on three things—speed, accuracy of hitting, and positional play. Without these three you will never be first class.

Though you are the fastest player on the field, unless you can hit the ball cleanly and direct to where you wish, your speed is useless, so practise hitting at full speed and in all positions. Practise sprinting, too, with and without the ball.

Field Tactics.

As for positional play, watch good hockey and notice how the players juggle to get themselves unmarked, how the wing slips his opposing half—if he can—how the backs stand, one well up and one farther back, and always ready to cover a mistake.

To complete your hockey equipment perfect your stickwork. When all these things are mastered you will be worth a place in any side.

UTTER NONSENSE.

This Slaves-to-Fashion Talk.

Why do women submit so tamely to that nonsense about their being "slaves to fashion"? Every season they give proof of their dress independence. But does it dispose of this infuriating *cliche*? Not a bit of it.

"Ah" says the man in the street, wagging his head in a superior fashion as his wife displays her latest frock, "those women—poor, wretched slaves to fashion." And he promptly orders from his tailor another suit exactly like the last.

A young man has been known nearly to weep with chagrin and spend an utterly miserable evening because he found, on arriving at a dinner-party, that his evening waistcoat boasted only two buttons while every other displayed three.

Too Shaming.

When a woman wants to wear a fur with a chiffon frock, she does so, and managed to make it look not only correct but charming. But if a man were to arrive on the golf course wearing a bowler hat with plus fours no one would be surprised to hear that he indulged in the minor crimes of wife beating and burglary.

This season women have given particularly emphatic proof of their fashion independence. The dress-makers found that out when they cooed with delight at the bustles, tight bodices, and untidy draped skirts presented to them.

"How too utterly reverberating, darling," they cried in chorus. "But they would be too, *too* gastric to wear." So they ordered the plainest gowns in the collections.

It is always women who are the first to ignore a hidebound convention, although sometimes they do it in curious ways. Recently a girl walked into one of the smartest restaurants in Paris clad in a plain woollen jersey and tailored skirt, and with a small woollen cap clinging to her immaculate head.

Perfectly Cool.

Women dressed in the latest creations and a few choice jewels raised their plucked eyebrows in mute protest. The waiters looked unutterably grieved. Even the girl's escort, in lounge suit, seemed embarrassed. But not the girl. She walked blithely to a central table—from which the maitre d'hotel tried vainly to head her off—and prepared to enjoy herself.

Where is the man who dares to wear individual headgear? Women have tried the feathered bowler, the Empress Eugenie hat, and half a dozen others during the past six months. And decided that whatever was becoming to grandmother, or great-grandmother, these stupid hats did not suit *them*.

Comfort First!

They looked round critically. What they wanted was a really comfortable hat! They found the tammy—and now every other smart woman in Paris, and not a few in London, are wearing perfectly cut variations of the tam-o'-shanter, with or without an eight-inch feather sticking up the back as a sign of their independence from dictatorial fashions. When the milliners find them something as becoming and comfortable they will change, but not before.

LOVELY HAIR.

[By Dorothy Dickson.]

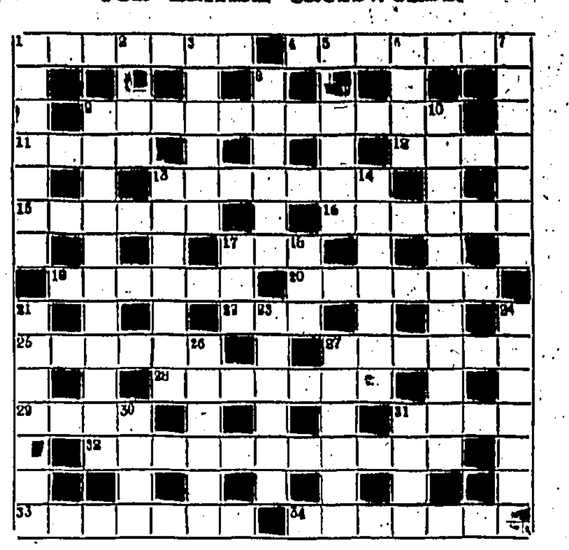
Contrary to the usual belief that hair should be washed at the most only every fortnight, I have mine shampooed every five days. I do not find that this harms it in the least; it keeps the scalp clean and the colour bright.

It is most important not to allow it to be dried under great heat, and to put a spoonful of vinegar in the rinsing water to take out the last remains of the soap. A few drops of perfume are necessary to neutralise the odour of the vinegar.

Women are far too much inclined to allow their hairdresser to put in a stereotyped wave with an iron. Each head should be studied individually, and the hair waved according to the shape of the head and face, and to the way the hair grows naturally. The slight tendency to wave which nearly every head of hair has should be accentuated with the fingers while the hair is damp.

Regular brushing is the finest hair tonic. A thorough brushing should be given immediately before the shampoo.

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4 A movement with one of twelve at heart.
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15 Image.
16 "And you, good—, whose limbs were made in England."
17 The symbol of economy.
19 His the sentry finds one in a double sense.
20 Tempting.
22 Removed by Sandy as he crosses its reverse.
25 Not comment, but may be caustic.
27 A boxing weight.
28 This down scored.
29 Part of a hexameter.
31 A pirate's possibly—or a carpenter's—if you look at it in other way.
32 I scarcely think that, even in *this*, a palm could conceal a coconut.
33 On the staff.
34 Immortal.

Down

1 Wash a note below.
2 Docile.
3 This is uncommon.
5 In puris naturalibus.
6 A relative feature in Taunton.
7 To start with I've reversed the impression: that's plain!
8 Capital of a Norman department.
9 Flute in cafe (anag.).
10 Finish.
13 The-noes.
14 Crowded.
17 Portion of any craft.
18 A shady part of Chelmsford.
21 To turn away wrath place a vegetable in part of a church.
23 Gallery.
24 Black and white.
26 Not handsome, but there's something sacred about one.
27 A writer of historical romance.
30 Satisfying when it's square.
31 An ancient writer of historical truth.

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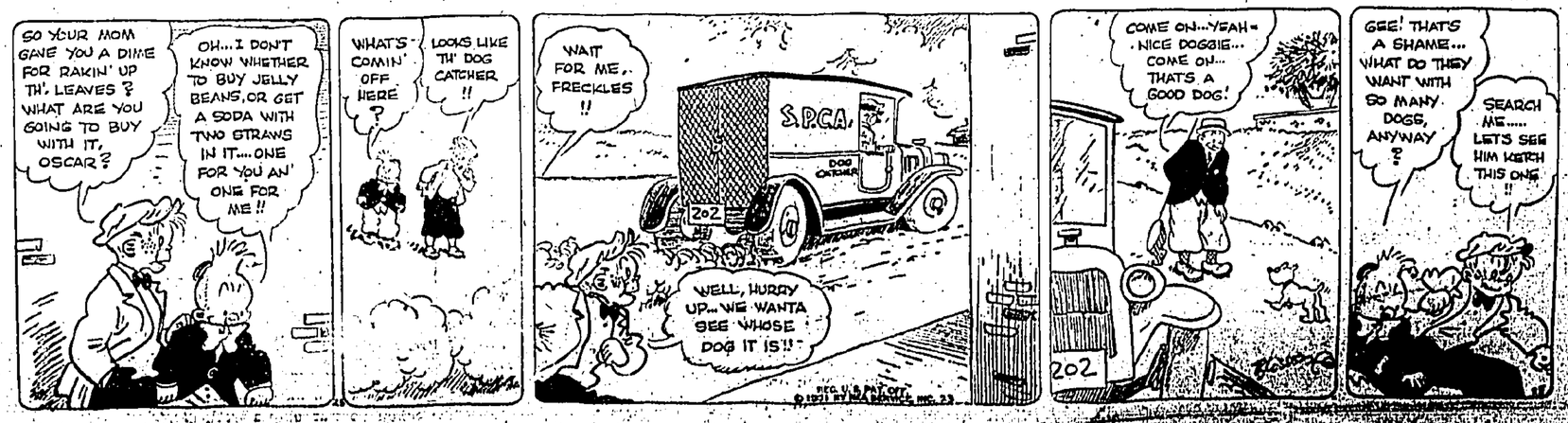
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DEATH.

The funeral of Mrs. Ho Shai Kit, daughter of the late Chan Leep Chi, will take place on March 12th at 11 a.m. from 7, Lower Castle Road, arriving at Wing Pit Ting, Pokfulum Road at 12 noon.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

FRIDAY, MARCH 11, 1932.

CHILD LABOUR.

Those who are interested in the question of child labour will find interest in the fact that the International Labour Office of the League of Nations has recently issued a report dealing with the problem of the age of admission of children to non-industrial occupations. This problem was discussed for the first time at the International Labour Conference of June last and comes up for the second and, it is to be hoped, final discussion at this year's Conference next month. In accordance with its usual procedure, the office circulated to Governments a questionnaire on the main aspects of the problem, in preparation for the discussion of definite proposals in the present report, with a general survey of the problem and draft proposals for the final Convention.

The protection of child labour has been one of the principal ideals of social reformers ever since the idea of social legislation was born. Its aspects range from the purely humanitarian to the purely economic. It is generally agreed that the object to be attained must be the absolute prohibition of child labour below a certain age, and the regulation of juvenile labour. The main points at issue are simply the degree of protection to be afforded and the limit to be fixed between child and juvenile labour. Before 1918 the minimum age of admission to industry was fixed by law in a certain number of States and a few of them prohibited the admission to dangerous occupations. Child labour in agriculture and commerce was almost entirely unregulated. The International Labour Organisation included among the general principles governing its constitution "the abolition of child labour and the imposition of such limitation on the labour of young persons as shall permit the continuation of their education and assure their proper physical development." Since that date International Conventions have already been adopted on the minimum age for admission to industry, to employment at sea, and to agriculture. Another Convention prohibits night work for young persons, and yet others deal with the employment as trimmers and stokers, medical examinations at sea, forced labour, and with certain dangerous occupations. The proposed draft convention lays down the general minimum of 14 years adopted in the other Child Labour Conventions. Most Governments appear in favour of this and if it is adopted it will mean that the standard of 14 years of age will have been adopted for all kinds of child labour.

Here in Hongkong, legislation has, until latterly, lagged considerably behind that of most Western countries, a circumstance which is not altogether surprising in view of the peculiar economic conditions which prevail in most parts of the Far East. There has, however, in recent years been a recognition of the fact that this Colony must come more into line with present-day ideals. Hours of labour for women and children have been regulated, whilst no child is permitted to be employed in dangerous trades, from which also female workers between the ages of 15 and 18 are prohibited except with the permission of the Protector of Labour. In other ways, also, Hongkong has been engaged in child protection activity recently, so that by degrees we are laying down conditions more closely resembling those now generally recognised as being necessary to prevent the exploitation of child labour. Much remains to be done, but progress is being made along the right lines.

The Shipping Depression.

Although the severity of the depression in the shipping industry is reflected somewhat in the figures quoted by the chairman at yesterday's meeting of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, they also serve to show how light have been the effects on the world economic blizzard in Hongkong. The number of ships using the wharves of the Company were only thirty-eight fewer than in 1930—which may be partly accounted for by economies of shipping firms; using harbour buoys instead—while the gross profit is down by less than 20 per cent. Far Eastern difficulties—the boycott of Japanese goods, general interference with normal activities in all parts of China—have contributed largely to any slackness that may be apparent in local trade and on the whole, the Colony has cause to congratulate itself. When Hongkong's position is compared with that of Great Britain, cause for content with our lot becomes more apparent. At the end of January, 728 ships were laid up in various British ports, the aggregate tonnage being 1,966,417, while many of the ships remaining in commission have to be content with very meagre cargoes. Still worse, though it is an obvious result of the general stagnation, is the continuous decline revealed in the tonnage of merchant vessels under construction, which at December 31st stood at 400,505 tons, the smallest recorded since September, 1887! Moreover the figure includes about 154,000 tons on which operations have been suspended, the heavy increase of 89,000 tons on the previous month being largely due to the stoppage of work on the new Cunarder. In the three months ended December, work was begun on 37 vessels totalling 104,784 tons, a distinct improvement compared with 25 vessels of 38,675 tons in the September quarter, but the launching totalled only 70,707 tons gross, against 80,340 tons gross in the preceding three months. The wide extent of the depression is indicated that even with such phenomenal low figures, Britain is still the most important shipbuilding country in the world, though her pre-eminence is much less marked than formerly.

Enquiries made this morning as to the condition of Miss Enid Lo, who was injured in a fall from a pony when riding at the racecourse on Thursday morning, elicited the information that no bones had been broken and complications were not feared. She is expected to make a speedy recovery.

DAY BY DAY

FRIENDS MAY AND MUST HAVE SECRETS FROM EACH OTHER; BUT THEY ARE NOT SECRETS TO EACH OTHER.—*Goethe.*

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The South Wales Borderers are holding a boxing tournament at Murray Barracks this evening, commencing at 6 p.m. There will be a programme of 18 bouts altogether.

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Consequent on a fall from the 4.23 p.m. train from Shumchun, while it was passing Lo Wu, a Chinese woman passenger was admitted to the Kwong Wah Hospital on Wednesday with rather serious injuries.

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At a meeting of the Hongkong Practical Psychology Club on Friday, 18th inst. at 6 p.m., the Rev. Mr. Tribbeck will speak on "Psychology and Religion." The meeting is being held at Lane, Crawford's restaurant.

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When Miss E. Sousa, of No. 3, Minden Avenue, Kowloon, was walking along Chatham Road near the Kowloon Football Club, yesterday evening, about a quarter past six, a Chinese snatched her handbag, containing $30, and made off with it. He was chased and caught by a European whose name is not given, who handed him over to Traffic Sergeant Clark.

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Banished in 1929 and sentenced to nine months recently for returning before the expiry of his term of 10 years, a man named Chan Fat was again arrested on information by the police in Canton Road yesterday. Charged before Mr. Fraser at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, he stated he had come back to fetch his wife. Sentence of 12 months' hard labour was imposed.

HONGKONG DOCTOR BEREAVED.

DEATH OF MISS BETSY DE SOUZA.

The many friends of Dr. E. L. de Souza, of Hongkong, will hear with deep regret of the death in Malacca of his sister, Miss Elizabeth (Betsy) de Souza, who was known throughout her life for many works of charity and kindliness. Fifty-six years of age, she was the sister of Mr. L. P. de Souza, the Deputy Collector of Land Revenue of Revenue, also of Mr. H. M. de Souza, J.P., of Malacca, and of Nurse Mary de Souza. Her nephews included two priests, Rev. Fr. L. D. Ashness and the Rev. Fr. Bertin Ashness, whilst other nephews are Mr. Rene M. Ashness, now studying for the priesthood in Penang, and another who is a Brother in the Christian Brothers' School in Burma. A niece is a Sister in the French Convent at Taiping.

It is worthy of mention that the deceased lady came of a Portuguese family that settled in Malacca about 160 years ago and that her grandfather was reputed to be one of the big property owners when the administration of this Settlement was transferred to the British a century ago. Her father, the late Mr. J. L. de Souza, was a sort of protege of Lieut. Governor Garling and was known and respected as a scholar and a gentleman. Her mother, whose maiden name was Cornelius, was of Dutch descent, whilst her grandfather took part in the Nanning War a century ago.

The funeral was largely attended, the officiating clergyman being the Rev. Fr. L. D. Ashness, the deceased's nephew.



"Come on up to my room and I'll show you some we took when he was only a week old."

RETURN TO PURITANISM.

Strong Undercurrent Carrying Britain Back to Sanity.

THERE are signs and portents on every hand that what a good many thoughful people have for some time past regarded as inevitable is now definitely coming to pass. Britain is moving with a momentum that is increasing daily towards what might be termed the "Twentieth Century Reformation."

No religious significance of any sort, I hasten to add, is attached to the use of the word "Reformation." Nor to the term "Puritanism" when used to describe the era towards which a strong undercurrent is now carrying the British people.

To-day, as we look back over a dozen post-war years of hectic, riotous, live-for-the-minute and purely superficial existence, whether in business, pleasure-seeking, or the everyday things of life, mere mention of the word Puritanism is like a sweet cleaning breath of wind that rolls some dank glooming fog from a clean, nature-simple garden.

Tired of Glitter.

In every direction of life it has become clear that Great Britain at last has become hopelessly tired of the tawdry glitter of the counterfeit, and is eager to turn with all the enthusiasm of the convert towards the simple realities of life. Everyone is beginning to see the gold, and, with twelve years' experience, to value the dross for the worthless thing it is.

That period of dross-worship or of mad licence was an inescapable sequel to the greatest war the world has ever seen. Our forebears saw the same thing happen when Waterloo had been fought and won, and were themselves only repeating the experience of earlier generations after other big wars.

It is but human nature to relax after a period of high-strung tension, to plunge, perhaps hysterically, without over-much thought or care for the consequences, into new and effervescent experiences which shall banish, unhappy, nerve-wrecked memories, and to place faith in curt phrases and smooth words rather than face plain and powerful truths.

That is what we have been doing; but now the bubbles are settling, the froth has almost vanished, and with new eyes we are beginning to seek again the simplicities of life—and in the peace and quietude of all things to find real strength.

The pendulum is daily swinging faster in this direction. That is being made evident in nearly every habit of thought, word, and deed. Good reading matter, thought provoking and intellectually satisfying, is beginning to replace a long-flowing spate of emotional, meaningless trash, or worse rubbish bearing the seeds of dangerous weeds. Hectic dance-floor antics and caperings are slowing down into dances that seek to capture something of skill and grace and beauty both of rhythm and movement, while conversation is becoming less flippant, less superficially clever.

Political buffoonery and the incessant claptrap, which is nought but a meaningless string of words with no core of reality, has almost exhausted itself. To whichever party they belong political adherents are compelled by cold realities to search for the sincere and the tangible. It is an appetite that will not be denied.

To-day's Demand.

The man who went through the war and is now a middle-aged pater-familias looks back over the years and knows that youth has had its wild jazzy fling, and that experience and sanity are again coming into their own. Captains of industry, too, are finding that out in the business world. Youth may be full of impetuous drive, bright but very often hare-brained ideas, and chock-full of ability to trample carelessly and contemptuously over each and every precept carved out of wisdom.

What is now wanted, it is every day being made clearer, is the sound experience and rock-like simplicity which is worth all the "cleverness" and "slimness" ever devised. The raw outlook of youth and the bluff of the incompetent are being pushed back to their proper place in the scheme of things.

One senses the growth of a finer, more serious and more mature sense of responsibility. Witless and noisy arrogance is giving way to a thoughtful appreciation of things as they are; shadowy talk of "rights" is being blown away by the realisation that it is well to get a grip on the substance of usefulness.

There is perhaps the danger always to be faced with any violent swing of the pendulum. There is the danger of being borne too swiftly and too strongly. But, that danger avoided, the era that is dawning will be a golden one; an era of Reality exchanged for tinsel; an era which, like the once sneered at Victorian era, gave us giants and real progress.

RICHARD SELWYN MAXWELL.

"LADIES NIGHT."

SUCCESSFUL EVENT AT Y.M.C.A.

The capacity of the West Lounge at the Y.M.C.A. was taxed to its utmost last night, when the Ladies' Night for March was held. An unusually enjoyable programme was enjoyed by the large gathering after dinner, and the artistes who contributed in such a degree to the success of the function were well worthy of the reception accorded them.

The inimitable G.W.E. True, whose songs at the piano are no less popular than his wanderings over the keyboard set the ball rolling with a delightful effort entitled "And Her Mother Came Too", and for it, was naturally encored. A few harmonisations, improvisations and sensations with the piano helped to satisfy an insistent audience.

The names of Mrs. H. L. Lockhart and Mrs. P. St. A. Sharpham are now household words in Hongkong and with their appearance on the programme the success of the evening was assured. Both sang delightfully. Mrs. Lockhart's "My Dear Soul" was particularly enjoyed as was Mrs. Sharpham's "Comin' Through the Rye".

Miss Norah Flint, D.R.C.M., a newcomer to Ladies' Night functions, gave some extremely fine violin solos and was repeatedly recalled, while Mrs. Bowes-Smith offered appropriate accompaniment.

The Y.M.C.A. jester, Mr. Jack Grenham, whose impromptu punning has caused many a laugh, was in his best form, which is sufficient to indicate that he was one of the big successes of the evening. Two clever comedy songs, aided by some irrelevant but amusing patter, helped to keep the audience in a state of mirth for some twenty minutes.

Mrs. A. W. Ingram gave a selection of recitations, including the famous Australian "classic," Ginger Mega, the audience displaying their appreciation in no uncertain manner.

Messrs. R. Dormer and E. F. Selk, further Y.M.C.A. contributors, kept the gathering convulsed with an apache diversion, while Mr. F. V. Whitta wound up the programme with a clever and amusing description of the Life History of Sir Walter Raleigh, which, although not to be found in school text books, should be!

Once again the Y.M.C.A. Ladies' Night proved itself to be one of the most successful events organised by the Association, and the Social Committee is to be congratulated on its achievement. The programme was one of the most entertaining and stimulating yet presented in the building and it was fitting there should be such a large gathering to display its appreciation.

The local branch of the Mercantile Bank has received a telegram from its Head Office in London advising that at the annual general meeting of the shareholders a final dividend of 5% on the "A" "B" & "C" shares will be declared (making 12% for the year less Income Tax), £10,000 written off Landed and House Property, £187,000 carried forward to 1932 account.



Herr Thaelmann, Communist candidate for the German Presidential office. He is a member of the Reichstag and opposed President Hindenburg in the last election also.

GERMAN PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION DECLARATIONS.

'RED' CANDIDATE AND RUSSIA.

Berlin, Mar. 10.

Twenty thousand Communists stretched out their fists, swore themselves to bring about the doom of Capitalism, and shouted themselves hoarse pledging their allegiance to Soviet Russia this evening when Herr Thaelmann, the Communist presidential candidate, delivered his election speech at the Sport Palace.

Herr Thaelmann depicted Russia as a workman's paradise and declared that the Far Eastern problem was the greatest in the world to-day.

Hindenburg's Manifesto.

Rumours that President Hindenburg will stand down if the Presidential election on Monday is not decisive, were emphatically denied by the President to-day in a broadcast manifesto.

President Hindenburg says he has placed himself at the disposal of the German nation for re-election only as a patriotic duty. The election of a party man representing extreme political views, who would have the majority of the German people against him, would bring the Fatherland into an era of serious disorders.

Germany's Freedom.

Hindenburg declared that his signing of the Young Plan and the Emergency Decrees had as a motive his ardent love for the Fatherland and his strongest desire for Germany's freedom.

He concluded by appealing to the German people to unite in the struggle for the freedom of the nation, just as in 1914.

Bavaria and Hitler.

The Bavarian Prime Minister, Dr. Held, has appealed from Munich, Herr Hitler's headquarters, to all Bavarians to vote for Hindenburg, who, he says, is the only man who can save Germany from chaos.—*Reuter.*

CEMENT COMPANY PROFIT.

TOTAL OF MORE THAN THREE LAKHS.

The annual report of the Green Island Cement Co., Ltd., states that the net profit for the year, after providing for Depreciation on buildings and machinery at Hok Un Works and Macao Works, steam launches and lighters, etc., is $325,422.12, and the amount brought forward from the previous year $88,421.76. The balance to be dealt with is $413,843.88, which it is recommended should be applied as follows:—To pay a dividend of 45 cents per share on the Old Shares, $180,000; to pay a dividend of 6 cents per share on the New Shares, $24,000; to place to General Reserve, $100,000; to place to Reserve for Staff Passages, $10,000; and carry forward to the credit of next year's Account, $99,843.88.

Directors.—Under Article 101 of the Articles of Association, Mr. Li Tse Fong and Mr. Conrad F. Mendham retire, but being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—The accounts have been audited by Messrs. Linstead and Davis and Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews, Chartered Accountants, who are eligible for re-appointment.

DAY OF RECKONING.

BUDGET DATE ANNOUNCED.

London, Mar. 10.

It is announced by Mr. Baldwin, acting Premier, that the Budget for 1932/33 will be introduced on April 19.

In submitting the Air Estimates to the House of Commons to-day, the Air Minister, Sir Philip Sassoon, said that the total of £17,400,000 showed a reduction of £700,000, this being the department's contribution to the urgent requirements of the financial situation.

The saving had been effected without permanently impairing the high standard of efficiency in the air services.

During his speech, Sir Philip Sassoon stated that the experience gained in making the winning machines and engines for the Schneider Trophy contests, had been of very real value in designing the new equipment for the Royal Air Force. The result was that though reckoned by size alone the force took only fifth place among the air forces of the world, they had the satisfaction of knowing that no other Air Force was better equipped while nowhere was the standard of training and efficiency so high.

More In Future.

He warned the House that to maintain such a standard more money would be required in future years than was asked for in the present Estimates.

Regarding civil aviation, he said that Britain had avoided giving air transport excessive assistance and had followed the plan of encouraging air transport to fly by itself.

Proposals were on foot for bringing into operation another twelve thousand miles of Empire routes and when that could be done, the Empire would possess over 37,000 miles of organised air routes.—*British Wireless and Reuter.*

DANGEROUS CAR DRIVING.

TWO OFFENDERS FINED.

The Hon. Inspector General of Police (Mr. T. H. King) prosecuted before Mr. Schofield at the Central Police Court this morning in a summons taken out against Li Po-chuen, the driver of Dr. Ma Luk's motor car, No. 993, on a charge of dangerous driving at the junction of d'Aguilar Street and Wellington Street on February 29.

A representative of the defendant appeared in court and said that the driver was ill. A plea of guilty was entered.

The Inspector General of Police said that on February 29 at about 6 p.m. he was walking down Wellington Street from Police Headquarters and was about 20 yards from the junction of d'Aguilar and Wellington Streets. He saw a saloon car come up d'Aguilar Street from Queen's Road and turn into Wellington Street towards Wyndham Street. The car was travelling at a fast and dangerous pace. The particular spot was a very busy centre and from where he was he could hear the "swish and swirl" of the car.

It was revealed that the defendant had a previous conviction for negligent driving in March last year.

A fine of $25 was imposed.

Another Case.

A summons for dangerous driving on the Island Road at Deep Water Bay was brought against Mr. R. Poinsot who admitted that he was driving at a fast pace but said that he had had full control of his car. He was in a hurry to reach his house at 11, Shouson Hill. He had been to Repulse Bay to meet some friends but they were not there and, thinking that they had gone to his residence, he was hurrying back to see them. It was important that he should meet them.

Sergeant A. R. Brittain informed his Worship that the defendant drove at a high speed past the car park at Deep Water Bay. He passed a lorry on the bridge and travelled on his wrong side of the road for a short distance.

Inspector C. F. Alexander pointed out that that particular spot was within the controlled area. It was a very bad bend and there had been two or three serious accidents there, cars coming to grief either when travelling towards Hongkong or towards Repulse Bay.

The defendant was stated to have had a local licence since July, 1931, and had a clear record.

His Worship imposed a fine of $20.



General Tsai Ting-kai, of the XIXth Route Army, has not confined his share in the operations to directions from headquarters. Photo above shows him watching a small howitzer at work.

RUBBER OUTPUT RESTRICTION.

NEW APPROACH BY DUTCH GOVT.

AGREEMENT HOPE.

The Hague, Mar. 10.

Hopes for an agreement between British and Dutch producers for the restriction of rubber output have been revived by an announcement that negotiations are pending in London which will be attended by Heer Luytjes, Adviser to the Dutch Colonial Minister and a British Government official.

Heer Luytjes has been instructed to point out the difficulties with which the Dutch Government is faced and to acquaint himself with the British ideas with a view to an early decision by the Dutch Government.

The Committee of the Dutch Rubber Growers Association, who are all restrictionists, have also left for London to confer with British growers who favour a restriction scheme.

The present negotiations are a continuation of last November's discussions, which were attended by Dr. Van Der Waals, a Dutch Government official.—*Reuter.*

FOG HOLDS UP STEAMERS.

CARTHAGE OUTSIDE HARBOUR.

The P. & O. liner Carthage, which was to have arrived in port at 6 o'clock this morning from Shanghai, is detained outside the harbour owing to a thick fog, together with a number of other ships.

Enquiries made at the local office, elicited the information that the fog was so thick outside Lyeemun Pass that it was impossible even to guess at the time of the arrival of the vessel. If the fog did not lift, there was a possibility of the liner remaining outside harbour for the whole day. She is due to sail at noon to-morrow for Marseilles and London via Singapore.

The O.S.K. steamer London Maru, which arrived in port this morning from Singapore, was fortunate in that the western side of the island was not so foggy, and she was able to come in and moor off Stonecutters Island.

COOLIE'S FIND OF AMMUNITION.

DESCRIBED AS "AN OLD FOOL."

An old coolie named Tsang Shing was charged before Mr. Fraser at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning with possession of 87 rounds of .38 ammunition.

Inspector Smith, who prosecuted, stated that the police raided a house in Po Kwong Road, and on the ground floor, where the defendant lived, found the ammunition. Defendant was some months ago employed by a seaman to repair a hut in Ma Tau Wai. The ammunition was hidden in the roof of the hut and in the process of repair, it fell out. Defendant kept it and took it home with the intention of selling it. About four days ago, he asked someone to buy the ammunition, and this person later told the police of the matter, as a result of which the defendant was arrested. The police had made inquiries into the matter and were satisfied that this tory was probably true.

"Defendant is just an old fool," concluded Inspector Smith.

His Worship:—You think he is a law-abiding citizen and has just foolishly kept this ammunition?—Yes.

Inspector Smith remarked that the ammunition was old.

His Worship adjourned the case for further enquiries.

NANKING STEEL FOUNDRY.

Contract Given to German Firm.

FULL DETAILS.

Berlin, Mar. 10.

Full details of the arrangement between the Nanking Government and a famous German firm for the erection of large iron and steel works in China, have now been disclosed.

The firm concerned in the scheme is the Gute Hoffnungshuette, of Oberhausen, one of the works belonging to the Haniel concern.

A contract has already been signed with the Nanking Government, and the Oberhausen firm will erect an iron and steel foundry in the neighbourhood of Nanking, for the production of rolled iron, steel and pig-iron.

Capital Agreement.

The necessary capital will be supplied by Messrs. Haniel on credit to the Chinese Government, repayable in instalments. The erection is estimated to cost G$20,000,000 but it will not begin until normal conditions in China have been restored.

The Chinese-Hoffnung agreement provides for the issue to the Company of Chinese Government bonds to the value of G$20,000,000 at seven per cent. interest, redeemable in ten years by instalments.—*Reuter.*

SNATCHER SENT TO GAOL.

PORTUGUESE LADY ROBBED.

A bag-snatching incident in Austin Road yesterday afternoon had a sequel at the Kowloon Magistracy, before Mr. Fraser, this morning, when a youth named Tsoi Tin-hay was charged with snatching a handbag from Miss E. Sousa.

Inspector Elston informed his Worship that Miss Souza was just etering St. Mary's Convent at about 6 p.m. yesterday when defendant came up behind her and quatched her handbag. She shouted out for help and gave chase, the defendant running in the direction of Chatham Road, when he was caught by a young man whose name the police did not know.

His Worship:—Did he use violence on you, Miss Sousa?—No, your Worship.

His Worship (to defendant):—It is lucky for you that you did not use violence. Just to show you what to expect if you commit these offences, I sentence you to six months' hard labour.

NEWS SELLERS' LICENCES.

WHOLE MATTER BEING REVIEWED.

The increase in the number of newspaper hawkers, licensed and otherwise, resulting from the local boom in Shanghai war news, again received the attention of the Magistrate (Mr. Wynne-Jones) at the Central Police Court this morning.

Mr. T. H. King, the Acting Inspector General of Police, referring to a case before the Court yesterday, said that a newspaper report with regard to what the prosecuting police officer, Inspector Shaftain, had said about not having received instructions not to charge these people was misleading. Any suggestion, Mr. King said, that the police had not taken notice of what his Worship had stated was contrary to the fact. Before his Worship had commented on the question, he (Mr. King) had been in communication with the Secretary for Chinese Affairs. The matter was being reviewed in its entirety, apart from the question of an increase in the number of licences, Mr. King added.

RADIO BROADCAST

A SPECIAL PROGRAMME OF RECORDS.

Broadcast by Z. B. W. on a wavelength of 355 metres. (845 K.C.'s).

5.00-7.00 p.m. Chinese Programme.

7.00-10.30 p.m. European Programme.

7.03-9.00 p.m. A Programme of records kindly loaned by "The British Film Distribution Company" and played on "Western Electric Sound Equipment."

8.00 p.m. (Local Time).

7.03-7.13 p.m.

"This is the Missus"-"Life is Just a Bowl of Cherries"-"That's Why Darkies Were Born" (From George White's "Scandals").

Played by Paul Whiteman and His Orchestra.

7.27-8.20 p.m. (Approx:).

First Two Episodes of A Radio Mystery in Six Episodes-"The Amber God" (Henry H. Clifford).

8.20-9.00 p.m. (Approx:).

"Leave the Rest to Nature" (From "The Chance of a Nightime").

Sung by Billie Lockwood.

"King of Jazz" Selections.

Played by the Regal Cinema Orch.

"You are my Heart's Delight" (From "The Land of Smiles").

Sung by Frank Titterton (Tenor).

"Kiss Walt ."

"Wine, Women and Song"-Waltz.

Played by Johann Strauss and His Orchestra.

"To-day I Feel so Happy" (From "Sunshine Susie").

Sung by Renate Muller (Soprano).

"Hungarian Rhapsody No. 2"-Excerpts (Liszt-Wood).

"Partita in E" (Bach-Wood).

Played by Sir Henry J. Wood conducting the New Qeen's Hall Orch.

"Patiently Smiling" (From "The Land of Smiles").

Sung by Frank Titterton (Tenor).

7.13-7.27 p.m.

Selections from "Viennese Nights."

Played by The Millionaires.

"Plantation Melodies."

Played by Herman Finck and Orch.

"Just Because I Lost my Heart to You" (From "Sunshine Susie").

Sung by Renate Muller (Soprano).

9.00-10.30 p.m.

Operatic Concert from Studio. Programme.

Pianoforte Solo.

Rigoletto—Concert Paraphrase—(Verdi-Liszt) Miss Luba Pecker.

Songs.

(a) Cavatina from "The Queen of "Sheba" (Gounod).

(b) Eben ne andro lontano from "Vally" (Catalani).

Madame Elisabeth Ferrajolo (Soprano) accompanied by Professor Guildi.

Songs.

(a) Berceuse de "Jocelyn" (Godard).

(b) Arioso de "Benvenuto" (Diaz).

Mr. Li Chor Chi (Tenor) accompanied by Miss Zommerman.

Songs.

(a) Recit. and Aria from "Rinaldo" Lascia Ch'io Pianga (Handel).

(b) The Powers that Dwell Below from "Alceste" (Gluck).

Mrs. Helen Lockhart (Contralto) accompanied by Mrs. Scott-Little.

Songs.

(a) Eri tu che macchiavi-"Ballo in Maschera" (Verdi).

(b) Deh vieni alla finestra-"Don Giovanni" (Mozart).

Mr. G. F. D'Aquino (Baritone) accompanied by Miss Luba Pecker.

Pianoforte Solo.

Valse from "Faust" (Gounod-Liszt) Miss Luba Pecker.

Songs.

(a) Oh! Recall Not from "Sonnambula" (Bellini).

(b) O cieli azzurri from "Aida" (Verdi).

Madame Elisabeth Ferrajolo (Soprano) accompanied by Professor Guildi.

Songs.

(a) Una Furtiva Lagrima from "L'Elisir d'Amore" (Donizetti).

(b) Racondita Armonia from "La Tosca" (Puccini).

Mr. Li Chor Chi (Tenor) accompanied by Professor Guildi.

Songs.

Softly Awakes My Heart from "Samson and Delilah" (Saint-Saens).

Mrs. Helen Lockhart (Contralto) accompanied by Mrs. Scott-Little.

Songs.

(a) Senza tetto, senzt cuna from "Il Guarany" (Gomes).

(b) Il balen del suo sorriso from "Il Trovatore" (Verdi).

Mr. G. F. D'Aquino (Baritone) accompanied by Miss Luba Pecker.

10.33 p.m. Close Down.

SUN COMPANY TRICKED.

CUSTOMER'S RUSE SUCCEEDS.

An unknown Chinese walked into the Sun Company's store in Des Voeux Road Central yesterday and, promising payment of cash on delivery, ordered some $300 worth of goods, to be sent to No. 14, Front Row, Bay View.

The goods were delivered at an hour arranged, and the customer, who was at the address to take delivery, requested the two coolies bringing the goods to fix up a bedstead he had included in the order. While they were so occupied, he disappeared, and the coolies found that he had taken away the other goods, consisting of leather trunks, cloth and haberdashery, which they had left in an adjoining room.

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LOCAL RUGBY.

SEVEN-A-SIDE TOURNEY TO-MORROW.

The arrangements for the Seven-A-Side tournament are now complete. The Band of the South Wales Borderers, which has been kindly lent by Lieut. Col. G. T. Raikes, D.S.O. and officers of the Regiment, will play selections for twenty minutes prior to the kick-off of the first match and also during the short interval between the second semi-final and the final.

The committee are anxious that intending spectators should be in their places some minutes before 3 p.m. as this will facilitate, to some extent, the keeping of the time table as regards matches.

The competition is under the distinguished patronage of His Excellency the Governor and a number of prominent members of the Legislative Council have indicated their intention of being present while some have also sent subscriptions to the Charity fund in whose aid the competition is being staged.

The eight teams competing in the quarter finals to-morrow are,—H.M.S. Cumberland, H.M.S. Tamar and Small Ships "A", H.M.S. Hermes, 4th Submarine Flotilla "A", 4th Submarine Flotilla "B", Kowloon "A", Hongkong Football Club "A" and the South Wales Borderers.

V.R.C. MEETING.

SWIMMING ASSOCIATION DOOMED?

That the Hongkong Amateur Swimming Association might have to close down on account of lack of finances, was announced by Mr. W. Logan in reply to a question asked by a member at the annual meeting of the Victoria Recreation Club last evening.

The Hon. Mr. W. T. Southorn presided, and was supported by other members of the committee.

Before proceeding with the business of the meeting, Mr. Logan asked the members to stand in silent respect for the late Mr. D. S. Gubbay, one of their oldest members, who died during the past year.

The chairman said that before he formally moved the adoption of the report and statement of accounts he would like to make a personal apology to the club for having been so remiss in his duties as chairman during the past year. At the beginning of the club's year, after his return from Home leave, he was so occupied that he had found it very difficult to devote much time to the Club. During the summer when the night fetes were held he had been occupied on each evening except one. He made arrangements to attend that fete but unfortunately a typhoon occurred and prevented him from seeing the fete, which was postponed.

Admirable Work.

In congratulating the officers of the club for the very successful year's work the chairman said that he doubted whether any club had presented during the past year a report and statement of accounts as admirable as that of the V.R.C. Progress had been made in almost every direction, except, he thought, in the gymnasium, and they had finished with a balance on the right side—there being a balance of $4,142.96 of which they had every reason to be proud.

Continuing, the chairman said that he thought it was the appropriate moment to propose a hearty vote of thanks and congratulation to the committee of the Club for the admirable year's work.

The Club was to be congratulated on its water polo successes. The team had won the shield without losing a single match, a very fine record indeed. The chairman said he was interested to see the enthusiasm which was being taken in rowing. He understood that in years past rowing was a great feature of the V.R.C. and it was gratifyng to see the interest being revived.

Commenting upon the building itself, the chairman said that he had been there several times but had seldom seen it so spick and span as it was yesterday evening. That was also a credit to the committee.

On the report and statement of accounts being seconded they were put to the meeting and carried unanimously.

Election of Officers.

The electon of officers was then proceeded with, the following being elected for the ensuing year:

Chairman, Mr. W. Logan; Hon. Secretary, Mr. F. W. T. Ross; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. H. Hyndman.

General Committee.—Messrs. J. R. Soares, S. V. Gittins, J. M. M. Alves, Dr. D. Laing, P. A. Dixon, J. A. Victor, W. Anderson, S. A. Marcel and Col. F. Eaves.

Balloting Committee.—Messrs. H. M. Remedios, L. Soares, E. Zimmern, L. Roza Pereira, C. E. Roza Pereira, W. Clarke, D. Lopes, W. J. Howard, G. Travers, M. M. Soares and H. J. Silva.

Mr. R. M. Rocha suggested that the committee consider the reduction of the monthly subscription from $3 to $2, but it was pointed out that the time was not opportune.

Mr. Rocha later brought up the question of the award of the prizes for last year's championships. He remarked that he had seen a certain amount of comment in the Press regarding the matter and asked for the official view.

Mr. Logan remarked that it was a very long story. Two years ago they started the Hongkong Amateur Swimming Association which now had no money. The Association were morally responsible for the prizes, but the V.R.C. found they would have to secure prizes for the successful competitors. The Hongkong Amateur Swimming Association, continued Mr. Logan, might have to close down.

Before the meeting concluded, the Hon. Mr. Southorn expressed a vote of thanks to the retiring committee, mentioning particularly Messrs. Hyndman and Victor.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	Previous Day.	Yesterday.
Paris	94	92⅞
Geneva	10.07½	18.7/16
Berlin	15.45	15.5/16
Oslo	18.35	18.7/16
Helsingfors	217½	217½
Athens	280	285
Buenos Aires	38.1/16	38⅝
Shanghai	1/9.9/16	1/9½
New York	3.69¾	3.66
Amsterdam	9.18	9.06
Vienna	32	32
Madrid	48¾	48
Bucharest	625	615
Hongkong	1/4¼	1/4.1/16
Brussels	26.9/16	26.25
Milan	71.1/16	70⅛
Stockholm	18¾	18¼
Copenhagen	18.15	18.15
Prague	124½	120
Lisbon	110	110
Rio	4	4
Bombay	1/0.9/64	1/0.9/64
Yokohama	1/8⅝	1/9
Montevideo	29½	30½
Montreal	4.12	4.08½
Silver (spot)	17⅛	17⅛
(forward)	17.11/16	18.1/16

—British Wireless.

EASTER RACES.

PROGRAMME FOR EASTER MEETING.

The full programme for the Second Extra Race Meeting at Easter, organised by the Jockey Club for the 26th instant and 28th, Saturday and Monday respectively, is as follows:

Commonwealth Handicap. — For China Ponies, "D" Class. To be ridden by Jockeys who have not won ten races anywhere at any time. One Mile.

Roschill Handicap.—For Australian Ponies, "A" Class. Entrance $5. Six Furlongs.

Commonwealth Handicap. — For China Ponies, "C" Class. From the Two Mile Post Once Round and In (about One Mile 171 Yards).

Griffins of this Season, whether starters or not. Weight for inches as per scale. Non-winnings starters allowed 7 lbs. Winners of two races, 7 lb. penalty; of more than two races, barred. Jockey Allowance. Allowances accumulative: One and a Quarter Mile.

Roschill Handicap.—For Australian Ponies, "B" Class. Six Furlongs.

Colonial Stakes.—For China Ponies, First Aggregate Stakes. Value $750. Second $300. Third $200. For China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners of $5,000 or more in stakes anywhere since 1st January, 1932. 5 lb. penalty; of $4,000 to $4,999, 5 lb. allowance; of $3,000 to $3,999, 7 lb allowance; of less than $3,000, 10 lb. allowance. The Stakes will be run for six times, or as decided by the Stewards. At the end of the Season, an additional sum of $2,000 will be divided between the ponies scoring most marks in the races for the Stakes during the Season in the proportion of first 70%, second 20%, and third 10% of the added money, so far as is consistent with ties. Marks to count 4 for a win, 2 for a second and 1 for a third in each race. The benefit of marks already scored to pass with a pony on a sale. Six Furlongs.

Commonwealth Handicap. — For China Ponies, "E" Class. One Mile.

Commonwealth Handicap. — For China Ponies. "B" Class. From the Two Mile Post Once Round and In (about One Mile 171 Yards).

Dominion Plate.—For China Ponies, Subscription Griffins of the Club of this Season, whether starters or not. Weight for inches as per scale. Non-winning starters allowed 7 lb. Winners of two races, 7 lb penalty; of more than two races, barred. Jockey Allowance. Allowances accumulative. One and a Quarter Miles.

Commonwealth Handicap. — For China Ponies, "A" Class. One and a Half Miles.

Union Plate.—For China Ponies, Subscription Griffins of this Club of this Season. Weight for inches as per scale. Ponies which have not won $500 in stakes, allowed 5 lb. Winners barred Jockey allowance. Allowances accumulative. Six Furlongs.

Mirs Bay Handicap.—For China Ponies, "A" Class. One and a Quarter Miles.

Canterbury Park Handicap.—For Australian Ponies, "B" Class. From the Two Mile Post Once Round and In (about One Mile 171 Yards).

Gin Drinkers Bay Plate.—For China Ponies which have started at least twice at race Meetings of this Club since 1st January, 1932 and have not won a race since 1st January, 1932. Weight 145 lb. 1 lb. penalty for every $200 or part thereof won in stakes since 1st January, 1932. To be ridden by Jockeys who have not won ten races anywhere at any time. Jockeys, 2 lb. penalty for each race won; maximum penalty 10 lb. Penalties accumulative. One Mile.

Mirs Bay Handicap.—For China Ponies, "E" Class. Six Furlongs.

Starling Stake.—For China Ponies, Subscription Griffins of this Club of this Season which have not won more than $1,000 in stakes. Weight for inches as per scale. 2 lb. penalty for every $200 or part thereof won in stakes. Jockey Allowance. From the Two Mile Post Once Round and In (about One Mile 171 Yards).

Easter Stakes.—For China Ponies. Weight 145 lb. Winners at any time of one race, 5 lb.; of two races, 7 lb.; of three races, 10 lb.; of four or more races, 15 lb.; penalty. One Mile.

Mirs Bay Handicap.—For China Ponies, "D" Class. Six Furlongs.

Canterbury Park Handicap.—For Australian Ponies, "A" Class. From the Two Mile Post Once Round and In (about One Mile 171 Yards).

Mirs Bay Handicap.—For China Ponies, "B" Class. One Mile.

Tolo Plate.—For China Ponies, Griffins of this Season which have started at least twice at race Meetings of this Club and have never won a race. Weight for inches as per scale. 2 lb. penalty for every $200 or part thereof won in stakes. Jockey Allowance. One and a Quarter Miles.

Mirs Bay Handicap.—For China Ponies, "C" Class. One Mile.

A NOVEL TEST.

HEAVY-WEIGHTS FLY CHANNEL.

London, Mar. 10.

The capabilities of the cross-Channel air service underwent a novel test when three heavy-weight boxers, aggregating fifty stones, embarked under the anxious eyes of the pilot.

Previously Carnera, who was one of the three, had provided the officials of the Paris airport with a conundrum, as the scales upon which every passenger must be weighed would not register his weight.

After some discussion, the formality was overcome by the officials deciding to accept Carnera's word that he weighed only twenty stones.

—Reuter's Special Service.

A SURPRISE RESULT.

DEFEAT FOR MARTON & OWEN HUGHES.

General anticipations were not realised when Marton and Owen Hughes met Walsham and Segalen in the open doubles championship yesterday, the latter pair winning an interesting match by the odd set in three.

Owen Hughes was not at his best, and despite Marton's clever all-court play, the sound understanding between Walsham and Segalen won the day.

The Frenchman and his partner took the first set at 7-5, but were forced to concede the next. They displayed marked superiority in the final set and deservedly won.

The day's results were:

Open Doubles.

Walsham and Segalen beat Owen Hughes and Marton 7-5, 3-6, 6-3.

Handicap Singles "A."

T. J. Price beat G. E. R. Divott 6-2, 6-3.

D. S. Green beat G. W. A. Tufton 6-1, 3-6, 8-6.

C. F. Hyde beat D. B. Evans 6-4, 2-6, 6-1.

Handicap Doubles.

Henderson and Monoghan beat Scull and Stark 5-7, 6-2, 6-3.

Sewell and Wright beat Puncheon and Railton 6-4, 5-7, 6-3.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

Club Championship.

A. D. Humphreys v. D. B. Evans.

Handicap Singles "A."

J. J. Waite v. T. C. Monoghan.
W. M. Barton v. C. C. Stark.
L. G. Robertson v. N. H. L. Railton.
A. C. I. Bowker v. R. M. Henderson.

Handicap Doubles.

Robb and Bryden v. Penn and Collis.

Blackford and Selby v. Foley and Montgomery.

Handicap Mixed Doubles.

Col. and Mrs. Lecky v. A. J. Palmer and Miss Stevenson.

FRIENDLY HOCKEY.

HONGKONG TEAM FOR GAME THIS AFTERNOON.

The following will represent the Hongkong Hockey Club "A" Team against Radio Sports Club at 5.15 p.m., to-day at Caroline Hill.—R. W. Sapsed, L. A. R. Duncan, F. W. Allen, H. Owen-Davies, E. C. Dale, K. H. Uttley, L. D. Kilbee, J. L. Totley, S. Hill, W. H. Smith and F. Potter.

Monday's Match.

The following will represent the Hongkong Hockey Club 2nd XI against the Central British Association on Monday on the Club ground at 5.15 p.m. sharp.—R. W. Sapsed, L. F. Nicholson, L. A. R. Duncan, H. D. Lowe, E. G. Dale, H. K. Potter, R. D. Kilbee, S. J. H. Fox, W. A. Nowers, S. Hill, G. F. Rees.

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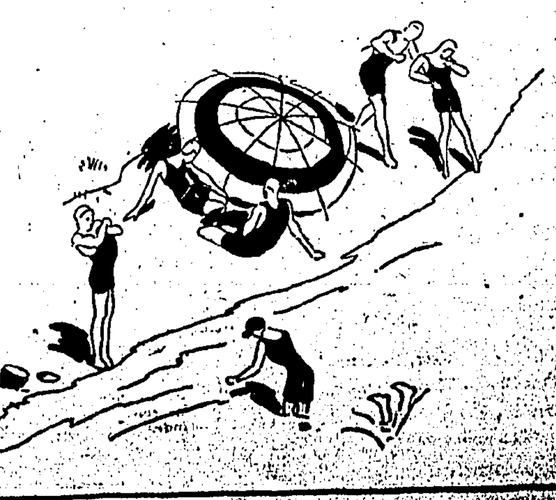
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CINEMA SCREENINGS.

NOTES SUPPLIED BY THE THEATRES.

The blues won't have a chance when Radio Pictures' wartime comedy "Half Shot at Sunrise," opens at the Queen's Theatre on Sunday.

Then according to advance stories about this production, featuring Bert Wheeler and Robert Woolsey, comedians of "The Cuckoos" fame, "you can put the undertakers to digging wells."

Previewers have said: "A triumph in fun making!" "The funniest men in the talkies to-day . . . or to-morrow!" "A comedy with a STORY!" "Go ahead and laugh . . . there's nothing you can do for it!"

Here are some of the things they are talking about: Five song hits by Harry Tierney, who wrote the music for "Rio Rita" and "Dixiana"; the famous Tiller Sunshine Girls; songs —"Riviera Moon," entrancingly romantic! "Nothing but Love," a rare treat in laughter. "Whistling the Blues Away," a foot tenser. "On Parade!" an inspiring marching song. "Kiss Me, Cherie," will make you hold hands even with somebody's grandfather.

The story: "Two American doughboys go A.W.O.L. in Paris during the big scrap and learn about . . . everything"!

The cast: Wheeler, Woolsey, Hugh Trevor, Dorothy Lee, Roberta Robinson, Edna May Oliver, John Rutherford, George MacFarlane, Katya Sorina and Leni Stengel.

"The Yellow Ticket."

Directed by the man who gave the screen such memorable pictures as "What Price Glory," "The Cock Eyed World," "Sadie Thompson," "The Man Who Came Back," and enacted by such scintillating stars as Elissa Landi, Lionel Barrymore and Laurence Olivier, Raoul Walsh's much heralded Fox drama, "The Yellow Ticket," is showing to-day at the King's Theatre.

Based on Michael Morton's well known stage play of the same name, it tells the vivid story of a young and courageous girl who had to fight single handed against the cruel intrigue and injustices of Czarist Russia's Secret Police for the romance and happiness that was rightfully hers. How she matches her wits against those of the fateful head of this insidious organization, and in the end kills him in self-protection leads the film to one of the most startling denouncments ever portrayed on the talking screen.

"The Yellow Ticket" is said to afford Miss Landi an opportunity to display her great emotional and acting ability and that she makes the most of it has been proven by the enthusiasm which had greeted the picture wherever it has been shown. Barrymore, too has been widely acclaimed for his work in the role of the relentless police head, as has Olivier who plays the romantic male lead. Large and lavish sets, which mark all Raoul Walsh's productions form an interesting and impressive background for the unfolding of the story. These include a Russian village, complete in every detail, the ornate palace of the Police head, a realistic Russian railway station and the interior of a train as well as some unique views of St. Petersburg prison.

The remainder of the cast is in keeping with Walsh's high standard of production including such luminaries as Walter Byron, Rita La Roy, Sarah Padden, Mischa Auer, Arnold Korff and Boris Karloff, Jules Furthman who wrote the screen play also collaborated with Guy Bolton on the dialogue.

"Son of India.

"Son of India" with Ramon Novarro in the starring role and a supporting cast which includes Conrad Nagel, Marjorie Rambeau, Madge Evans, C. Aubrey Smith, Mitchell Lewis, John Miljan and Nigel de Brulier will be showing till to-morrow at the Queen's Theatre.

The story, based on the F. Marion Crawford novel, "Mr. Isaacs" places Novarro in an oriental setting, his first since the successful "The Pagan". The picture was directed by Jacques Feyder, who produced the previous Novarro film, "Daybreak."

The plot concerning the son of a wealthy Indian rajah who is precipitated into an amazing series of adventures which start out when a bandit gang murder his father. High spots of the film include: the burial of Novarro alive so that the bandits will not find him; his arrest in Bombay as a beggar for the theft for his own diamond; his rescue from a prison sentence by Nagel; an exciting polo game; Novarro's secret meeting with the American girl in his underground jewel vault; the tiger hunt; Novarro's fight with the bandit who killed his father and the stampede of the maddened elephants.

The picture is resplendent with picturesque backgrounds, strange sights and unusual costumes, such scenes being faithfully reproduced as the streets and buildings of Bombay, India, with its quaint and colourful bazaars; the rugged mountains passes in which the bandits carry on their nefarious trade; and the jungle scenes in which the tiger hunt and elephant stampede take place.

"The Cheat."

A Tickless clock! Ever hear of one? Well, if ever you do, there's one girl who is interested. That's Ann Andrews, featured with Tallulah Bankhead and Irving Pichel in "The Cheat," a new Paramount feature which will be starting next Wednesday at the King's Theatre.

For years, Miss Andrew has been searching for a clock which doesn't tick but will keep good time. Here's why:

"The ticking of a clock will keep me awake all night long," she explains, "and the faint ticking of my wrist watch will do the same unless I smother the noise. The slightest sound in the room will awaken me immediately, but outside of my room the noise will not affect me in the least.

"The hotel elevator can bump up and down all night long—the trains can cut circles around the hotel, and the fire engines can clang up and down the street and I will peacefully sleep through all the racket. But just let a clock tick, or a water faucet drip, and sleep and I are not on friendly terms!"

"The Cheat" is a story of a beautiful woman lured from her husband by a fascinating man of the Orient, who endeavour to win her, first with offers of money and favours, and finally with a threat of what his "mark" branded on her shoulder, will do to her reputation in the event she fails to yield to his pleas.

"The Age For Love."

Howard Hughes, filmdom's leading producer, has never made a mediocre picture, and all of his films have been artistic triumphs and box-office cleanups. "The Age For Love" Mr. Hughes' latest production, which returns Billie Dove to the screen after more than a year's absence, will open to-morrow at the Central.

Like his previous presentations, "The Age For Love" is another smash-picture, and in the metropolitan centres where it has already played, has duplicated the success of Mr. Hughes' "Hell's Angels" and "The Front Page", with both critics and public.

Howard Hughes made his bow to the film industry with "Two Arabian Knights" and followed with "The Racket." Both of these films won awards from the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences as "best pictures" of the years, and won similar honours in the nation-wide polls of the country's leading movie critics.

The young producer then made "Hell's Angels" which was the most lavish and spectacular motion picture of all time, and which established news records of popularity wherever movies are exhibited. More recently he panicked movie audiences everywhere with "The Front Page".

And now comes "The Age For Love", a United Artists release—another bold and sophisticated treatment of a modern subject—love and marriage. This is a new department for Howard Hughes, but as always, he rings the bell once again with superior treatment of a theme tackled with less success by other and less competent and courageous producers.

"The Age For Love" was directed by Frank Lloyd, and is based on the popular novel by Ernest Pascal. Robert E. Sherwood, noted playwright and movie critic composed the dialogue, and in the cast, in addition to Miss Dove, includes Charles Starrett, Lois Wilson, Edward Everett Horton, Mary Duncan, Ardrian Morris and Betty Ross Clarke.

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21 YEARS AGO.

SOME EXTRACTS FROM THE "TELEGRAPH" FILES.

The following extracts are from the *Hongkong Telegraph* for the week ended March 11th, 1911.

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The rate of the dollar on demand was 1s. 9.9/16d.

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The death occurred in Macao of Dr. L. Pereira Marques.

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The Portuguese Charge d'Affaires from Peking was ordered to proceed to Canton to discuss the Macao boundary problem.

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The wedding took place at St. John's Cathedral of Mr. Morrison Brown Yung and Miss Ada Lylian Quinn.

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The Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce celebrated the 50th year of its establishment.

COMPANY REPORTS.

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

The Yokohama Specie Bank announce that at the 104th Half-yearly Ordinary General Meeting of the shareholders held at the Head Office of this bank at Yokohama on the 10th inst., a net profit of Yen 10,077,876.07 was show, including Yen 5,537,930.46 carried over from last account. It was resolved to make the following allocations:

To Reserve Fund	Y. 1,100,000.00
Dividend of 10% p.a. (for the half-year ended 31st Dec. 1931)	5,000,000.00
To be carried forward to next account ...	4,877,876.07
	Y.10,977,876.07

"TELEGRAPH" ART SUPPLEMENT.

Big Variety of Pictures To-morrow.

More than twenty pictures of topical interest will appear in to-morrow's issue of the *Telegraph* Pictorial Supplement.

Weddings Illustrated will include those of Mr. S. A. Gray and Miss Ellen Christina Mackay Sim, Mr. B. S. Rogers and Miss Spradbery, Mr. H. F. Westlake and Miss McCance, and Mr. R. W. Lane and Miss Storer.

Sports events covered will comprise the University athletics, the soccer match between Portugal and Scotland, and the Race Meeting of Saturday last, whilst a group of the Civil Service Cricket team and a flashlight photo taken at the Yacht Club dinner to Mr. E. W. Carpenter will also be given.

Amongst the groups will be those taken at the opening of the new Po Leung Kuk, the members of the Ambulance Brigade entertained by the Y.W.C.A. before leaving for Shanghai, and the first Baby Welfare Clinic established in Hongkong, two years ago, at the Kwong Wah Hospital.

A snapshot of the Rev. Dr. Hewlett Johnson, Dean of Canterbury, arriving in Hongkong will also appear.

SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.
Hongkong Bank, $1450. sa.
Chartered Banks, £13⅛ n.
Mercantile A. and B., £20 n.
East Asia, $127½ n.

Insurances.
Canton Ins., $1,350 n.
Union Ins., $450 n.
China Underwriters, $4.10 n.
China Fires, $590 n.
H.K. Fire In., $1,250 n.

Shipping.
Douglases, $26½ b.
H. K. Steamboats, $28 n.
Indo-Chinas, (Pref.) $32 n.
Union Waterboats, $25 n.

Mining.
Benguets, $11.75 n.
Kailans, 32/6 n.
S'hai Explorations, Tls. 2.10 n.
Raubs, $39 n.

Docks, etc.
Kowloon Wharves, $144½ b. x. Div.
Whampoa Docks, $29 s.
South China Motors $10 n.
Providents (old), $4.90 b.
Hongkews, Tls. 220 n.
New Engineers, Tls. 6½ n.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 90½ n.

Cottons.
Ewo Cottons, Tls. 14.90 n.
Shanghai Cottons, Tls. 80½ n.
Soon Sings Tls. 11½ n.

Lands, Hotels, etc.
H. K. Hotel (old) $13.75 b.
H. K. S. Hotels (new), $13.45 b.
H. K. Lands, $74 n
S'hai Lands, Tls. 27 s.
Realties, $9.50 b.
Realties, $9.75 b.

Public Utilities.
Tramways, $203¼ sa.
Peak Trams, (old), $15.60 n.
Star Ferries, $91 n.
China Lights, $21 s.
H. K. Electrics, $73½ b.
Macao Electrics, $23 n.
Telephones, $41 n. x. Div.
China Buses, Tls. 16 n.
Singapore Tractions, 3/- n.

Industrials.
Mahbons, $22 s.
Canton Ices, $5 n.
Cements (comb.) $18 n.
Ropes, $16 n.

Stores, etc.
Dairy Farms, $28.50 b.
Watsons, $16 s.
Der A. Wings, $1 n.
Lane Crawfords, $6 n.
Mackintosh, $19 b.
Sinceres $16 n.
Powells, $3.60 n.

Miscellaneous.
Amusements, $19.90 b.
Entertainments (old) $16¼ n.
Constructions (old) $5.35 s.
S. C. Enterprises $10 n.
B. Ind. G. $ Bonds, $58% n.
Loans, $4% b. Prem.
Constructions (new), $1.75 n.

SUGAR MARKET.

THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS.

The following cable at the close of the sugar market yesterday has been received by Messrs. Pentreath and Co.

London Terminals.

March 1933 6/1 down 1¾d.
May 1932 5/3½ down 2¼d.
August 1932 5/6 ¾ down 2d.
December 1932 5/9¾ down 2d.

New York Terminals.

March 1933 1.06 down 3 pts.
May 1932 .80 down 3 pts.
July 1932 .88 down 2 pts.
September 1932 .93 down 2 pts.
December 1932 .99 down 2 pts.
Sourabaya (10/3/32). — Trust Mills sold 19,000 tons Whites, buyers and price not disclosed.

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Interest allowed on Current Accounts.

Deposits received for fixed periods at rates to be obtained on application.

H. MORI,
Manager.

Hongkong, March 11th, 1931.

THE HO HONG BANK, LIMITED.
(ESTABLISHED 1917.)

Authorised Capital	Straits	$20,000,000
Issued Capital	"	9,000,000
Paid-up Capital	"	4,096,800
Reserve Liabilities of Shareholders	"	4,000,000
Surplus	"	2,854,000

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Paid-Up Capital	24,710,000.00
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Foreign Exchange and opened Banking business transacted.

Current Accounts opened and Fixed Deposits received for one year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

J. STUART,
Manager.

Hongkong, 17th August, 1931.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORTION.

Authorised Capital $50,000,000
Issued and fully Paid-up 20,000,000
Reserve Funds:—
Sterling £6,500,000
Silver $10,000,000.
Reserve Liability of Proprietors ... $20,000,000

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Hongkong, 27th February 1932.

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FOR THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

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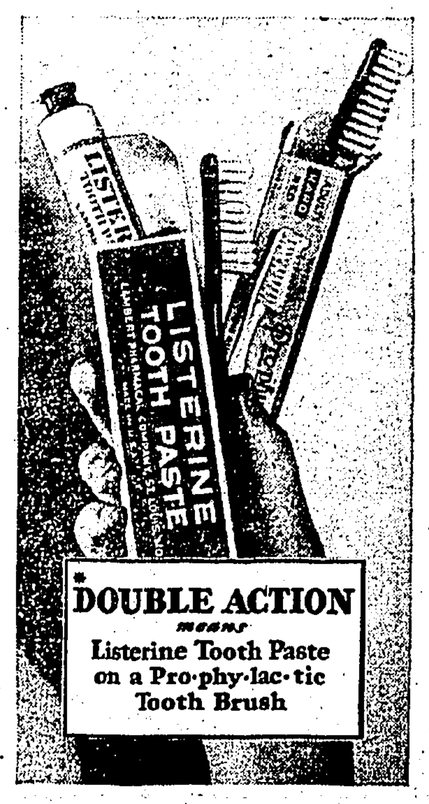
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Mr. Brown, the Shanghai representative of the Geneva Red Cross International, has telegraphed from Shanghai to Mr. A. Morris, the assistant Commissioner of the St. John Ambulance Brigade, Hongkong Branch, informing him that the Hongkong members of the Brigade who are visiting Shanghai in connexion with the provision of medical relief to the wounded have performed splendid work, which has been very much appreciated. The Hongkong members have astonished the Shanghai community by their efficient work in assisting the Chinese Red Cross in dealing with a most difficult situation.

Departure Postponed.

Another batch of Chinese nurses was to have left for Shanghai during the week-end following on the example set by the members of the St. John's Ambulance, but their departure was postponed in the last minute when the officials of the Hongkong Branch of the China National Medical Association received a telegram from Shanghai informing them that owing to the change in the situation the services of the nurses could be dispensed with for the present.

The Shanghai medical officials must have been inspired by the peace negotiations.

The Relief Funds.

The Directors of the Tung Wah Hospital have announced that due to the untiring support of other Chinese institutions the Tung Wah fund has met with an excellent response and another $50,000 has been remitted to the Cantonese Club (Kwong Shin Kung Sor) in Shanghai, for distribution, making the total contribution from the Tung Wah Hospital to $250,000.

Chung Sing Association.

Members of the Chung Sing Chinese Charity Association have been visiting the leading Chinese restaurants and amusement resorts at night and firms in the day for more contributions for the relief of Shanghai distress. Many substantial subscriptions were obtained during the last few nights from patrons of restaurants in West Point.

Big Charity Concert.

Under the distinguished patronage of Messrs. Li Yau-tsun, C.B.E., and Chan Lim-pak, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Tung Wah Hospital, leading Chinese merchants have organised a big charity concert at the Kau Yu Fong Theatre, which will open to-day and will be continued until Sunday. Over 100 Chinese professional actors and actresses and other amateur musical players have been invited to participate.

SHAMEEN'S 1932 BUDGET.

(Continued from Page 2.)

from the Council is strictly prohibited.

Mr. Farmer:—I take it that the Council will take steps to get rid of unregistered dogs?

Mr. Knott:—There have been several cases and these have been dealt with. Owners have even been fined.

Resolutions 9 & 10 were then put to the meeting and carried.

Chairman:—Before we conclude I should like to propose a very hearty vote of thanks to the Chairman and the other Members of the Council during the past year for their services.

Mr. Hoffmeister:—I second the resolution.

The resolution was carried.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

Mr. H. Phillips presided over representatives of the following business houses, organisations and associations:—Asiatic Petroleum Co. (SC) Ltd. 3 votes, Batchelor, R. K. 1, Bramold T. 1, British Consul-General 10, British Consul-General Anglican Church Trustee 1, British Consul Russian Consulate 1, British Consul 1, British Vice-Consul 1, British Vice-Consul 1, Canton Club Trustees 3, Carey, P. T. 1, Chartered Bank of I., A. & China 2, China Navigation Co., Ltd. 2, Chinese Maritime Customs 18, Deacon & Co. Ltd. 1, Deacon Estate Co. 1, Dent & Co., Ltd. H. 1, Dodwell & Co., Ltd. 2, Farmer, Wm 2, Fuji Paper Co., Ltd. 1, Griffith, T. E. 2, Griffith, Ltd., T. E. 4, Hoffmeister, A. 1, Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corp. 4, Japanese Club 2, Japanese Consul-General 4, Japanese Hospital 1, Japanese Primary School 1, Royal Naval Canteen 1, Shameen Municipal Council 5, Shameen Printing Press 2, Shewan, R. G. 2, Shewan, Tomes & Co. 1, Spalinger, U. 1, Staff Buildings, Ltd. (A. P. Co.) 8, Standard Oil Co. of New York 4, Tavadia, B. C. 1, Tavadia, E. C. 2, Watson & Co., Ltd., A. S. 4, Watson, Chas. E. 1; 95 votes represented.

THREE KINDS OF LOVE.

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King, and Miss King said politely, "Phil's told me a lot about you."

Miss King's escort came along. His name was Mr. Smith—a nice easy name to remember, and he was glad to know everyone, or so he said. He disclaimed all knowledge of things mechanical, but offered to give Phil a tow, if Phil had a rope. Phil had no rope.

Letty said to Phil, "Say, listen, sweetheart-darling . . ." Ann had retreated again to the shadows, so she might have been out of earshot; but Kenneth Smith was right there until he walked back to the sporty sports model and climbed into it.

Phil said, "Never mind that, now, Letty," and she said, "Yes, but I want to tell you—"

Phil said, "Don't go, Ann. Stay here." And Ann kept right on going, and Letty kept hold of Phil's arm.

Kenneth said to Ann, "Some crush over there," as if he were in pain, and Ann said brightly, "Yes, it does seem to be."

Kenneth sighed; Ann did not. Kenneth offered, "She makes me sick, if I do say it. She used to be a swell woman, but since she's gone pash on that sheik she's one wet smack right. Can't see a heavy date; can't see but a couple dances after dinner; can't see a damn thing but sheiky and trailing him around. I'm fed. I'm bloated. I'm through. I'm not doing bloodbounding for a living. Not yet."

Ann said sweetly and with sympathy that she did not blame him in the least.

Kenneth opened the car door. "Won't you get in and sit down and wait?"

"Thank you." Ann accepted. "I'll get in and sit down," she sank into the wide depth of the seat, "but why wait?"

Kenneth said, after a moment, "I get you. I'd go in a hurry if his damn car wasn't busted down."

"It isn't," said Ann. "It's his damn" (from Ann!) "stubbornness. The car would run well enough to get home if he'd run it instead of listening to it and looking at it. He'll have to, sooner or later. He has a knock in his engine—that's all. They will get home in good order, in time."

"Sure of it?"

"Positive. Listen to his engine. It will run."

"I'm on!" said Kenneth, and reached with a gesture of violence for the clutch, and he and Ann were off.

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For a short time Ann gave herself over completely to the soothing, heart-easing luxury afforded by the absence of piston rods; but presently, when Kenneth had reiterated and told the world for the third time that he was through with, or off of, Letty King for life, she felt sorry for him and said that she hoped she hadn't made trouble for him, and that he was not going to be unhappy.

"Any time!" He said it twice, and added that Letty King gave him a pain in the neck, and invited Ann to call him Ken, or Kenny, or anything she liked but Mr. Smith. He went on to say that he was unaccustomed to taking girls out for an evening and having them go cow-eyed over other men, writing notes and sending them by waiters, and that he had no intentions of accustoming himself to such activities from his girl friends. They could stand him up once, just once; after that he'd show them whether or not he was dizzy.

Ann repeated that she did not blame him.

Unexpectedly Kenneth proferred the suggestion that they park, in a road they would reach in a minute, and take a turn or two at necking.

Ann declined pleasantly, offering by way of apology eccentricity of habit. She had never gone in for that sort of thing.

"One big evening!" Kenneth remarked.

Ann again was sorry.

"No, I didn't mean that," said Kenneth. "I don't go in much for necking myself. Oh, well—of course, I go in for it but I don't get any kick out of it. Never have. Most girls do, though. That's all most girls care about. I just kind of thought it was a shame for you to have your evening wrecked. What a girl like you, so pretty and—and all, can see in a wet smack like that boy friend of Letty's, I don't know, if I do say it."

"I don't either," said Ann.

"He's a cold dish if ever there was one."

"I rather think so, too," said Ann.

"Letty gave me a bum steer then, as usual," he said. "She told me that you were engaged to him, and that he was trying to get out of it and couldn't. I thought she was lying all along, and after I saw you tonight I was certain she was. I'll tell the world you aren't hard to take, after Letty King. Yes, I was certain she was."

Ann was not the one to dispute with a certainty. "What a grand car you have," she said.

"Sure good," he said carelessly. "If she won't I have another that will. Same with my speed boats. Got a couple. One to run and one to keep in reserve in case of accidents or anything."

"How wonderful," said Ann, "always to have something in reserve in case of—accidents."

(To be Continued.)

THE WATER SUPPLY.

ALL RESERVOIRS FAR BELOW OVERFLOW.

The total storage in the Colony's reservoirs on the 1st of the month was 1,506.98 million gallons as compared with 1,371.51 million gallons on March 1 of last year.

Of this total storage 1,140.22 m.g. was in the Island reservoirs and 366.76 in those of Kowloon, as compared with 1,038.79 m.g. in Hongkong and 332.72 in Kowloon on the 1st of the corresponding month last year.

The consumption on the Island for the month was 238.09 m.g. for an estimated population of 382,250, giving a consumption per head per day of 21.5 gallons as compared with a consumption of 201.34 m.g. for an estimated population of 456,520 with a consumption of 15.9 gallons per head per day.

The consumption in Kowloon was 131.47 m.g. for an estimated population of 296,500 giving a consumption of 15.3 per head per day as compared with 117.54 m.g. for an estimated population of 179,140, giving a consumption of 23.4 gallons per head per day in 1931.

The rainfall for the period is given as .87 inch as against 2.53 inches during the same period of last year.

All the Colony's reservoirs except the Shing Mun Reception, Kowloon, are far below overflow.

PEAK HOSPITAL.

TO BE CLOSED AT END OF NEXT MONTH.

With the opening shortly of the War Memorial Nursing Home at Mount Kellet, there will be no further need for the present Peak Hospital, and that institution is to be closed at the end of April. It is possible that the building will be used for apartments.

While the date of the opening of the War Memorial Hospital has not yet been definitely fixed, the equipping of the building is practically complete, and will probably be occupied by next month at the latest. Plans have been definitely made for the closing of the Peak Hospital at the end of April, when it will be returned to its owner, Mr. J. E. Joseph, through whose generosity, the Government has had the use of the building and equipment for the past 10 years, at a peppercorn rental.

Originally built as a residence, the old building was for many years used as such, but later was turned into a hospital. In September, 1922, Mr. Joseph purchased the building and equipment and offered it for use as a hospital to the Government.

Mr. Joseph is at present on leave in England, but it is understood that early in May, the premises will be turned into apartments.

NUDIST MEETING.

GATHERING LAST EVENING. FORMS SOCIETY.

The Hongkong nude culture movement was crystallised into being last evening when a meeting of supporters, held at Lane Crawford's restaurant, decided upon the formation of a Hongkong club. At the outset there was an attendance of over forty persons, including six ladies, but when the names of those desirous of joining were called, only twenty-one, including three ladies, answered the call.

Mr. H. E. Lanepart presided, and spoke of the objects of the movement. In answer to a question, he said that he considered that the expenses would not exceed $300 per annum.

The motion "That a Nude Culture Society be formed in Hongkong" was unanimously carried by those present, and at the subsequent enrolment of intending members, twenty-one names were taken. Officials were then appointed.

It was decided to hold further meetings in due course.

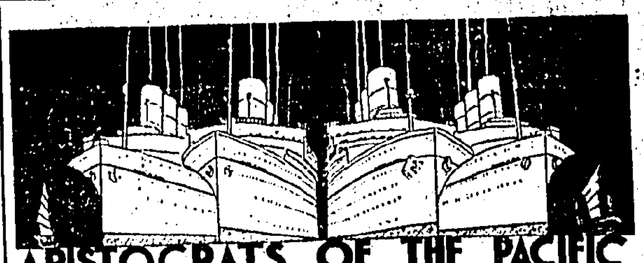
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A REDUCTION TO FOUR PER CENT.

London, Mar. 10.

The Bank of England discount rate has been reduced to four per cent.—*Reuter.*

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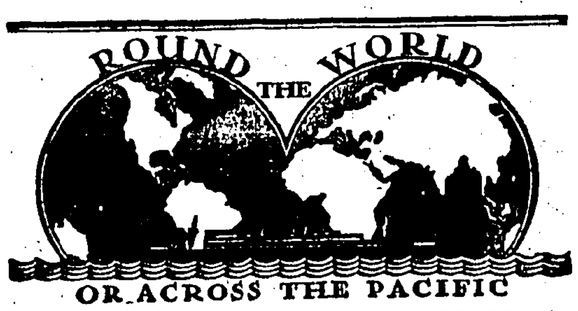
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GAMBLING CASE DISMISSED.

"NO REASON TO DISBELIEVE THE DEFENCE."

The case in which 13 Chinese were charged with a breach of the Gambling Ordinance was concluded at the Kowloon Magistracy before Mr. Fraser yesterday afternoon when his Worship dismissed the case after hearing the case for the defence.

Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith appeared for the Crown, while Mr. G. S. Hugh-Jones was for all defendants.

The defendants were Chan Sang, Lo Ping, Cheung Shing, Tsang Leung, Tsang Fuk, Li Fuk, Wong Tak, Lam Kau, Li Man, Yue Wing, Lau On, Ho Cho-kee and Yau Sui-nam. The first two defendants were charged with keeping a common gaming house, and the rest with gambling in a common gaming house.

At yesterday's proceedings, his Worship decided that there was evidence to support the charge against the first defendant, but the second defendant would have to disprove the charge.

In the box, the second defendant, Lo Ping, stated he was formerly employed on the Empress of Canada, but was now unemployed. He testified that the first floor of No. 866 Nathan Road was used as a club-house by the Yu Cho Club. On the night of February 17, when Sergeant Edwardes and a Chinese detective raided the premises, some members of the Club were playing *pai kau*. He himself did not take part in the game.

Questioned about a cigarette-tin, which contained money, witness said it was the "kitty," which would have been used to buy a midnight supper at the end of the game. Voluntary contributions were made to this "kitty" from time to time.

Witness stated that the Club was started some years ago, every member having had to pay $100. There was no fixed monthly subscription, but donations had to be made towards the Club's funds.

Chan Sang, the first defendant, testified that he was the unofficial manager of the Club. He corroborated the second defendant's statement that the "kitty" went towards the purchase of a midnight supper.

His Worship, after hearing this evidence, said it would be stretching the law a bit to say that the Yu Cho Club was a common gaming house. He had no reason to disbelieve the evidence of the defence, and it was quite legitimate for members of a club to contribute towards a meal.

His Worship dismissed the case.

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CHINESE WOMEN CHRISTIANS.

ANNUAL MEETING OF LOCAL ASSOCIATION.

SHANGHAI RELIEF.

The twelfth anniversary of the Chinese Women's Christian Association of Hongkong was celebrated yesterday at their headquarters, 38-CBonham Road, and was attended by a large gathering.

The meeting was opened with a hymn and prayer, followed by a few opening remarks by the president, Mrs. Ma Wing-chan. In the course of her remarks she said that it was a cause of special thanksgiving that the building in which the Association was now housed was wholly free of debt.

Mrs. Tso Se-fong then read the report of the election of Board Members for the year. The following were elected for a period of three years.—Mrs. Wong Kwok-shuen, Mrs. Wong Tse-chuen, Mrs. Wong Yue-yee, Mrs. Lum Wai and Mrs. Shin Kwai-sang.

On behalf of the Board, Miss Kwok Sheung-man, acting general secretary, gave a report of the work of the Association during the past year.

In the course of the report it was mentioned that a fortnightly religious talk had been the programme, to which all members and friends were invited. The success of such a scheme has been largely due to the splendid co-operation of the different pastors and leaders of local churches. They were indebted to the National Committee for Miss Catherine Vance's visit from Shanghai last spring, which brought helpful messages and suggestions for the development of this branch of work. During Dr. Eddy's visit last autumn there were about 160 girls who decided to further study Christian teaching.

Interest in the educational department has been more varied due to the needs of members. The following classes have been held weekly—Chinese and Western Cooking, Mandarin and piano lessons and instruction on First Aid to the injured. In addition to these classes, some members took interest in monthly discussions and debates on social topics such as Citizenship, World Fellowship, uses and abuses of cosmetics and luxuries, and the problem of White Slavery, etc.

Another piece of fine work under this department has been free night schools for industrial girls in the city. During the past 12 months they had been able to conduct five schools of this kind, with a total attendance of 220.

The wide scope of interest and success of this department is to be credited to the secretary, Miss Li Tuen Yee's thoughtful planning and methodical management.

Physical Department.

With a good sized playground at our disposal on Bonham Road, the report continued, not far from our Association, loaned to us by the Government since last September, we have been able to give our members physical training. Volley Ball, Basket Ball and Tennis have been thoroughly enjoyed and being well organized by our Physical Director, Mrs. Ho Kalau.

Our Children's Clinic held every Thursday morning at the Association has been another centre for the gospel of good health. Children come regularly to be examined and weighed and at the end of the term, those who have attained the highest records and have been following instructions most closely, received prizes.

Because of increasing membership from different sections of the city, we felt it wise to change our Social Meetings, which before have been held at the Association, into district meetings held monthly at different members' homes, which really facilitated the acquaintance among members. Whenever fine weather permitted picnics, other forms of out door life or trips to Canton, Chungchow and near by places were arranged and were thoroughly enjoyed. One of the outstanding features is our Dramatic Club, which staged two performances and realized over $3,000 for flood relief.

The "Wah Kwong" Club (Light of China) has a membership of approximately 400 girls under the age of 20 and consists of 12 different clubs, ranging from High Schools (girls from Ying Wah School, St. Stephen's College and St. Paul's School), Middle School (Yeung Chung, Fairlea) to elementary School (Tuan Ching, Lai Yin and Congregational schools). These 400 girls could be regarded as a sub-unit of our Association, having projects and interests as wide and varied as ours, only theirs are more adaptable to their age. Our secretary, Miss Wong Yuk-mui, is to be congratulated for her keen interest in these girls and untiring efforts.

We have at present 880 members, 480 being adults and 400 junior members (students).

Our Hostel has been of great service to students, single ladies and ladies who travel alone. Since the recent influx from Shanghai we have been taxed to our fullest capacity. At present we can accommodate at the most 20 people and many have been turned away much to our regret. It is our greatest desire and hope that as soon as opportunity and finance allow, we may be able to extend our rooming capacity. We owe much to Miss Alice Kwok, our hostel secretary, who takes a motherly interest in these girls.

Employment Bureau.

In view of the fact that the number of women and young girls seek employment and vocational guidance is increasing, an Employment Bureau was organized in our Association some months ago. A number of women of different nationalities have applied to us for occupation and quite a few have been placed in positions. We would commend it to business and professional men and women in Hongkong and ask that they kindly apply to us when needing employees, so that we may make the connexion between positions and applicants.

We should like gratefully to acknowledge the assistance given by the Hongkong Benevolent Society and St. Stephen's Girls' College M.C.L. Fund which has made possible the schooling of two children thereby freeing the mother to accept a position which she very much needed. We owe a great deal to Miss Elliott, who through her untiring efforts has met the needs of many who have come to us.

Our members responded most wholeheartedly and generously towards the relief work in Shanghai. Last September they were busy packing away old clothing to the flood sufferers and altogether we have sent away about 50 bales of clothing. Since the recent trouble in Shanghai there have been First Aid classes held at the Association almost daily, and every afternoon women are seen busy rolling bandages and making Red Cross supplies for use in the Red Cross Hospital in Shanghai.

After having had six years of strenuous work at the Association, our General Secretary, Miss Shin, is now having a year's rest and study. We are fortunate in having Miss Kwok Sheung-man, one of our first Board members, take her place while she is away.

It is with deep regret that we recall the departure of Miss Marion Dudley for America last summer. Miss Dudley has meant much to our Association and to all who came to know her though her time had not been quite three years with us and we hope that she will some day be back in our midst.

Miss Tseng left us last spring for America to study and we are glad that she is happy and getting along well in her college. At present we are having Miss Ho Yin-yin in her place.

We are most sorry to say that our membership secretary, our beloved Mrs. Yung, has been transferred to the National Board in Shanghai and we know that very few can ever take her place.

We are hopeful that a site suitable for our requirements will shortly be forthcoming for work on the mainland, and if this be granted it is our hope, when funds are available to build at least a one storey building which can be added to as the need arises.

Mrs. Wong Tse-chuen, treasurer, next gave a report of the finances for the year.

Dr. Wong Sun-yim, of the Hongkong University, then addressed the gathering on "women's duty towards the present crisis." In congratulating Miss Kwok on the year's report, he said how glad he was that the local Association had so deeply identified itself with sufferers in the North, and more recently in Shanghai, by generously giving of their time and their gifts for relief. He urged them to still greater efforts in the spirit of the Christian Gospel of self sacrifice, saying that nothing should be too hard to bear for the sake of one's country.

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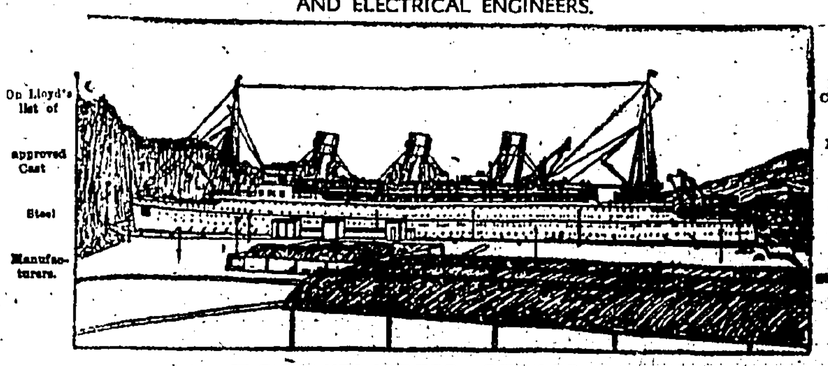
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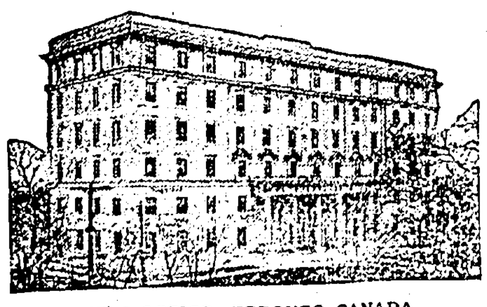
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IRISH TERRORIST ACT REPEAL.

POLITICAL PRISONERS FREED.

London, Mar. 10.

Twenty political prisoners were released from Dublin prisons today in anticipation of the suspension of the Constitution Amendment Act by Order of the Council, which is now presided over by Mr. Eamon De Valera.

They were convicted by a Military Tribunal of the late Government for offences against the State.

When released from prison today they were greeted by large crowds and driven through the streets in motor-cars decorated with the tri-colour of the Irish Free State.—*Reuter.*

AMANO BRIGADE ATTACKED.

HARBIN RUMOUR

Harbin, Mar. 11.

It is rumoured that troops belonging to the old Kirin army yesterday attacked the Japanese garrison at Ninguta, which is the headquarters of the Amano Brigade.

Many thousands were present at to-day's ceremonies connected with the hoisting of the five-coloured flag of the new Manchurian State, while the Japanese gave an aerial display.—*Reuter.*

FURTHER SIGN OF CONFIDENCE.

LOWER BANK RATE WELCOMED.

London, Mar. 10.

Although to-day's reduction of the Bank from five per cent. to four per cent. had been anticipated, it was warmly welcomed in the City and caused a general rise in Government securities.

The official announcement was loudly cheered. It is taken generally as a sign of confidence.—*British Wireless.*

London, Mar. 11.

Financial circles are of opinion that the lowering of the bank rate, equal to two per cent. in three weeks, will give fresh strength to long-dated Government securities and prepare the way for conversion operations.

It is also taken for granted that the decision will further increase foreign confidence in Britain's financial strength.—*Reuter's Special Service.*



A striking picture showing the destruction by fire of the Shanghai Golf Club House at Kiangwan, with Japanese troops in the foreground. A message of sympathy has been sent by the Hongkong Golf Club.

INTERNATIONAL OIL CARTEL.

ROYAL DUTCH-SHELL PROPOSAL.

New York, Mar. 10.

Plans to stop the overproduction of petroleum through the formation of an international oil cartel, are announced by Mr. J. B. Kesslerm the joint managing director of the Royal Dutch-Shell group.

It is suggested that American oil interests should agree that for a period of five years, the United States oil exports should not exceed the imports by more than a specified figure, thus avoiding the American anti-Trust laws.—*Reuter American Service.*

THE VAGARIES OF SILVER.

HONGKONG DOLLAR ADVANCES.

Due largely to speculative activities, silver has risen in London, the advance being 3/8ths spot and forward. The rise is chiefly due to absence of sellers, but Indian speculators sold at the rise. After the official fixing, the market ruled steady, chiefly due to some support from America.

New York is unchanged, with the market quiet.

The Hongkong dollar rose 3/16ths on demand to-day, the official quotation both for T.T. and demand being 1s. 3.7/8d. The market was steady at the opening, but later in the morning the tendency became distinctly easier, with a downward tendency.

BRITISH CREDIT REPAYMENT.

RESULTS IN LOSS OF £13,500,000.

London, Mar. 10.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain intimated in the House of Commons to-day that the loss incurred in the recent repayment of the French and American credits to the British Government, amounted to £13,500,000, which would be added to the internal sterling debt.—*Reuter's Special Service.*

YIELD FROM NEW DUTIES.

SUBSTANTIAL SUMS RECEIVED.

London, Mar. 10.

It was stated in the House of Commons to-day that the Abnormal Importations Customs Duties had produced £316,000 in January and £287,000 in February, while the Agricultural Products Customs Duties had produced £42,000 in January and £52,000 in February.—*British Wireless.*

HOME FOOTBALL.

SEVEN-GOAL DEFEAT FOR GILLINGHAM.

London, Mar. 10.

The Gillingham defence was riddled in a Third Division (South) match on the Queen's Park Rangers ground to-day, the Rangers scoring seven goals without reply by their visitors.—*Reuter.*

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